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Wolf: Virus surge forces unpopular decisions

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Governor Tom Wolf announced last week a tightening of certain restrictions due to a nationwide surge in coronavirus cases. Pennsylvania was down to around 600 cases daily in June, but has since increased to nearly 1,000. While that's a far cry from April's high of 2,000 in one day, the administration is concerned about travelers from out of state, large indoor gatherings and people not wearing masks.

Wolf said in a press conference July 15 that he blames overall carelessness and

a lack of national coordination for the climbing COVID-19 cases.

"This virus does not respect state boundaries," he said. "We are paying for things states and other places have not done. We've seen that sometimes it takes as much as 10 days to get results of testing back. That's not because of anything we've done, it's because national test places are being overwhelmed by the cases they've seen in these other states. We're paying the price. We did everything we should have done. We were responsible, and yet we're paying the price right now."

He said the state is at a point where we must act so that we don't become like Florida or Texas or Arizona, where hospitals are overwhelmed. And the only way to do so is to make difficult, unpopular decisions with some businesses. "The virus is making the rules here," he said.

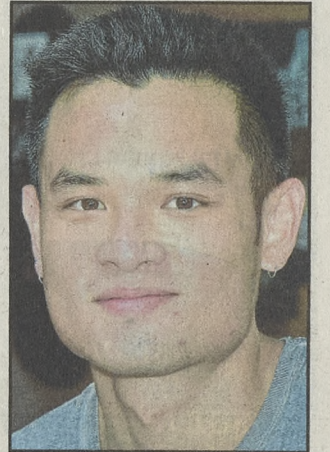
- Restaurants are now to operate at 25 percent capacity.
- Current outdoor dining rules remain in effect.
- On-premises alcohol consumption is limited with meals only; cocktails to go and carry-out beverages are allowed.

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PEOPLE SAY

BY DANA GRUBB

Of everything that is up in the air due to COVID-19, what concerns you the most?



"A move to Australia to be with my fiancé and because their borders are closed I'm concerned because I can't go."
Syd Chan
Macungie



"Restrictions on businesses, especially restaurants. It's overkill."
Dominic Condomitti
Nazareth

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Shifting guidance poses challenges

BY THERESA O'BRIEN
Special to the Bethlehem Press

On Friday, March 13, Gov. Wolf ordered all Pa. schools closed from March 16 through March 27; Bethlehem Area School District (BASD) treated these two weeks as an extended snow closure, with no formal education being delivered, although skill review materials were made available.

On March 30, BASD began providing online education to all its students, with paper copies of educational materials available to students without adequate computer and/or internet access. The schools of the Diocese of Allentown were also closed from March 16 through the end of the 2019-20 academic year. As of July 16, both the public and the Catholic schools in the Bethlehem area planned to reopen for in-person instruction; details of reopening plans as of mid-July are extended below, along with information from the Pa. Department of Health (PDH) as of the afternoon of July 16.

PDH moves goals

COVID-19: SCHOOL REOPENING PLANS



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Children who participated in YMCA childcare during the spring of 2020 were taught to make "airplane arms" to maintain social distancing. A June 24 NPR feature by Anya Kamenetz explored the methods YMCA childcare centers used to protect children and staff from coronavirus transmission, including cloth face coverings for staff, daily temperature checks, and grouping children into "pods" of nine children per adult.

On the afternoon of July 16, Secretary of Education Pedro River and Secretary of Health Dr. Rachel Levine held a press conference to announce updated guidance for school reopening. The abundance of material released that afternoon created more questions than answers for administrators

planning for school reopening. Of particular note is the apparent change in guidance for face coverings for students and daycare participants. As recently as June 2, Secretary of Human Services Teresa Miller and Tracy Campanini, deputy secretary for the DHS Office of Child

Development and Early Learning (OCDEL), told the press that in daycares, the state mandated cloth face coverings for staff only, and did not require six-foot distancing. In a June 5 interview, BASD Superintendent Dr. Joseph Roy indicated that this guidance likely signaled the state's opinion on

protocols for in-person instruction in grades kindergarten through five. However, on July 16, Secretary Levine's office told the Bethlehem Press that "anyone 2 years old or older, that does not have a medical condition or disability, should wear a mask. This is for all school systems, day care settings, elementary, middle and high school. No one is immune to this virus."

On the June 2 call, Secretary Miller and Deputy Secretary Campanini shared that from the beginning of the pandemic through the date of the press conference, only 18 cases of coronavirus had been diagnosed in staff members or children in daycares that stayed open to serve families of "essential" workers, such as medical personnel, grocery employees, and postal workers. These 18 cases were in 13 different facilities. This mirrors global data showing little to no child-to-child or adult-to-child transmission, particularly when children are not symptomatic for the disease.

More to the point, See **PLANS** on Page A2

Wolf, legislature bolster law enforcement rules

"It is my hope that with input from this commission, the commonwealth's law enforcement agencies can serve as a model of excellence for law enforcement throughout Pennsylvania and the country."

Gov. Tom Wolf

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Governor Tom Wolf's proposed law enforcement legislation, house bills 1841 and 1910, passed unanimously last week and are quickly followed by an executive order creating the Pennsylvania State Law Enforcement Citizen Advisory Commission.

Together, he said in a release, the legislation will, "address the systemic failings that have created inequities and public mistrust of law enforcement."

Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency Executive Director Mike Pennington said, "As an agency, we answered the call the governor made last month to address reform. We've

created a Racial and Ethnic Disparities Subcommittee under the Criminal Justice Advisory Committee here at PCCD. Keir Bradford-Grey of the Defender Association of Philadelphia will serve as our chair, and we look to have that subcommittee formed and convened within the next month or so."

The executive order advises that citizen engagement and participation is essential to help the state in fulfilling its commitment to identifying necessary system-level reforms to promote transparency, fairness and accountability involving the commonwealth's law enforcement agencies.

The new commission's ultimate goal is to improve policing

practices within law enforcement agencies under the governor's jurisdiction by examining events and conducting reviews of policies, practices, and procedures.

The commission, established in the Office of State Inspector General, will be comprised of 15 members appointed by the governor, including one representative from each of the Pennsylvania State Police current Troop geographic areas, and specifically from areas of the Pennsylvania State Police's primary jurisdiction, and six additional citizen members chosen at large.

The commission is authorized to perform reviews of the covered agencies' internal investigative findings related to allegations See **RULES** on Page A3

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Of everything that is up in the air due to COVID-19, what concerns you the most?



"The health and safety of everyone, including family and friends, especially since things are getting worse."
Christian Lawson
Bethlehem



"How much we didn't know about this disease and our country's experts are learning so much about it in real time."
Nina Ace
Bethlehem



"People not adhering to social distancing and not wearing masks."
Doug Ace
Bethlehem



"Interaction with family and loved ones, and the difficulties of doing this."
Kyle Lawson
Bethlehem

POLICE

COMPILED BY NATE JASTRZEMSKI

Allentown incident

Lehigh County District Attorney Jim Martin in a release described his investigation into a recent incident during which an Allentown police officer was alleged to have knelt upon the neck of a man during an arrest.

Martin describes the incident and investigation, citing numerous witnesses and several video sources at St. Luke's Hospital Chew Street campus the evening of July 11.

Edward Borrero, Jr., 37, of Allentown, was allegedly walking near the hospital, screaming, stumbling into traffic and vomiting repeatedly. Two nearby officers attempted to assist him and were rebuffed. While attempting to cuff Borrero so that he could be brought inside for safe medical attention, he resisted, and one officer knelt not on his neck, but his head, for approximately eight seconds, while Borrero spat at them.

Borrero was not arrested or detained, except in that he received a medical exam.

He later admitted he is a heroin addict and that he had used heroin and ingested powdered cocaine about two hours before the incident.

Martin determined there was no evidence to support filing charges against the officers, and Borrero himself is charged with possession of drug paraphernalia, public drunkenness and a and misdemeanor-grade disorderly conduct.

VIRUS

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- Telework should continue.
- Indoor gatherings are limited to 25 people; outdoor gatherings are limited to 250 people.

Though exact data has not been compiled to compellingly determine bars and restaurants largely have contributed to the outbreak - holidays and mass-protests in current weeks may be responsible. Health Secretary Dr. Rachel Levine supported the governor, saying these actions are meant to be surgical in nature, harming the fewest people possible while mitigating virus spread.

As of Monday, the state has 98,872 confirmed COVID-19 cases and 7,018 deaths. Lehigh County has 4,564 confirmed and 332 deaths; Northampton County has 3,649 confirmed and 282 deaths; the city of Bethlehem has 1,121 confirmed and 82 deaths.

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Deputy Secretary Campanini told the press on June 2, "So much of the [social distancing] messaging many people are familiar with is six feet. That's not necessarily achievable in a childcare setting ... Toileting, diaper changing [...] all of that requires close contact." She advised, "Practice good respiratory etiquette, staff should wear masks, practice frequent handwashing, and come up with a schedule for frequent disinfection of high-touch surfaces."

On July 16, guidance from Secretary Levine's office said, "All students must wear a face covering (cloth mask or face shield) that covers their nose and mouth inside the school and while outside when physical distancing is not feasible."

The PDH defines a "face covering" as "factory-made, sewn by hand, or improvised from household items, including but not limited to, scarves, bandanas, T-shirts, sweatshirts, or towels," and tells families, "specialized masks [such as procedural and surgical masks, including N95 respirators] should be reserved for appropriate occupational and health care settings," despite the fact that valve-free N95 respirators block 95 percent of both large airborne droplets and aerosols, and cloth masks - which are less effective than N95s in the best of circumstances - lose up to 60 percent of their effectiveness when there are gaps around the edges (see coverage by The Scientist: <https://www.the-scientist.com/news-opinion/how-face-masks-can-help-prevent-the-spread-of-covid-19-67646>).

Additionally, observational studies on cloth mask use have been unable to separate mask use from other measures employed at the same time, including lockdowns, social distancing, and enhanced hand hygiene. One of the major studies on which the belief in cloth mask efficacy rests has a major shortcoming; in the authors' words, "our measurements are carried out at low differential pressure values (2.5-13 Pa) across the fabrics [...] at flow rates significantly lower (order of magnitude or more) than typical resting respiratory rates" (<https://pubs.acs.org/doi/10.1021/acsnano.0c04676>).

When asked on which data or studies the Department of Health is basing its school guidance, the department's press liaison declined

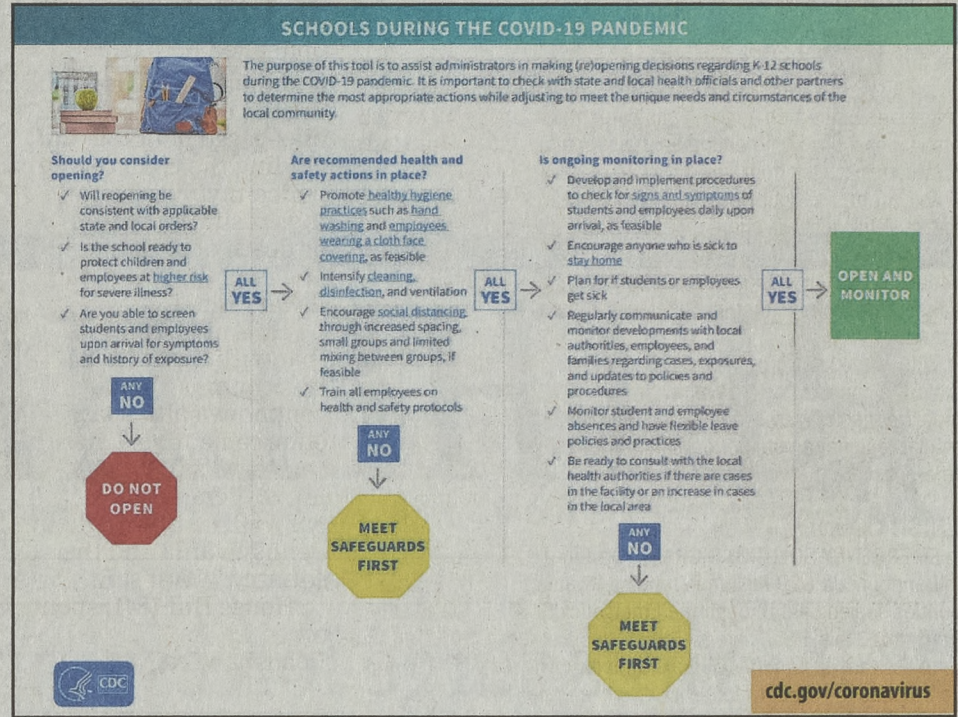


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On May 14, the CDC released decision trees for use by school administrators planning for school re-openings. The trees in use prior to the second week of July indicated that only school staff would be required to wear masks, with an emphasis placed instead on "increased spacing, small groups, and limited mixing between groups." This guidance abruptly changed in mid-July as both the CDC and the Pa. Department of Health recommended masks for everyone outside the home. On July 16, Pa. Secretary of Health Dr. Rachel Levine released school reopening guidelines mandating mask wear for virtually every child age two and older, with no details as to whether mandatory masks would obviate the need for six-foot social distancing.

to comment. Asked to clarify whether schools would be required to institute mandatory mask use even in classrooms where six-foot distancing is achieved by desk placement, as Secretary Rivera's July 6 guidance apparently indicated (see below), the Department of Health responded, "The Department of Health cannot speak to what PDE Secretary Rivera said earlier this month. However, the final guidance shared yesterday does go over instances where students will need to wear a mask [...] all students must wear a face covering (cloth mask or face shield) that covers their nose and mouth inside the school and while outside when physical distancing is not feasible. However, schools should provide face covering breaks throughout the day. When taking one of these breaks, students should maintain a distance of at least 6 feet apart."

Given the shifting guidelines from the state and the apparent movement of goalposts from the mid-March goal of "flattening the curve" to avoid overwhelming hospitals to the mid-July goal of limiting even asymptomatic infections to an unspecified number, it is likely that both BASD and the Diocese of Allentown will revise even the limited reopening information they have provided to the public. For example, if masks are required for all students for the entire time they are indoors, it is unclear whether schools will choose not to implement six-foot

distancing. Dates for the guidance from both school authorities are provided below.

BASD plans as of July 14

At the June 22 school board meeting, Superintendent Dr. Joseph Roy responded to a public question by indicating that the district planned for a full reopening of its K through 12 schools, following the advice of local infectious disease experts, public health officials, and district health personnel to implement appropriate hygiene and other mitigation measures. During all of the superintendent's communications with the community, he emphasized that the district is following the guidance of public health officials and infectious disease specialists at St. Luke's and Lehigh Valley hospital networks, and during a conversation with the Press June 5, he pointed out, "Schools are not built for social distancing." Referring to Pa. Dept. of Education (PDE) regulations, Dr. Roy stated flatly, "If the guidelines say six feet is mandatory, the best we can do is the hybrid [in-person and online instruction on alternate days] model."

In a four-minute video message released July 14 on YouTube, the superintendent appeared to signal that some buildings will open on the aforementioned hybrid model. After noting, "Our goal is to be able to get students in school, with proper social distancing," Dr. Roy said that BASD administration is still thinking about three scenarios: completely

online; fully open in person; and a hybrid of in-person and online.

Dr. Roy said that the fully online option is "not likely now," but noted, "I think we'll see a mix of those [second and third] two scenarios, with all students returning at some levels, in some grades, and a hybrid at the other." He added, "We're finalizing those details as we speak," commenting that "St. Luke's infectious disease experts, St. Luke's Community Health, and the City of Bethlehem Health Bureau are literally working with us to write our return-to-school plans."

The district has not released specific infectious disease mitigation protocols, although Dr. Roy noted that on July 1, Secretary Levine issued a recommendation for face coverings to be worn in most out-of-home settings, and that on July 6, Secretary Rivera issued related guidelines, indicating that students in schools would constitute an exception to the face covering recommendation, if six-foot distancing can be maintained.

Fears of a forcible shutdown of schools based on rising positive test numbers in the county appear to be prompting a high level of caution among district administrators.

"One of the big issues," Dr. Roy stated, "is not just to open schools, but to stay open, and that involves what the health bureau calls 'surveillance'—monitoring and case tracking in the community. We want to make sure we don't have

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LEHIGH COUNTY

EMERGENCY SOLUTIONS GRANT: On July 10, Governor Tom Wolf announced \$19 million in funding awards for Pennsylvania counties seeking aid through the Emergency Solution Grant CARES Act.

Lehigh County Executive Phillips M. Armstrong and the Board of Commissioners approved the application and funding allocations.

The Emergency Solution Grants CARE Act is distributed as follows: 63 percent to address homelessness prevention, 22 percent to rapidly house those who are homeless, 8.4 percent to provide emergency shelter services and street outreach.

NORTHAMPTON COUNTY

TESTING PARTNERSHIP: Lamont McClure and the Department of Community and Economic Development (DCED) have organized a partnership between Northampton County and Lehigh Valley Hospital-Coordinated Health Allentown Hospital (LVH-CHA) to set up a COVID-19 drive-through testing site.

A physician's order will not be required but, to be eligible for testing, individuals must report or display one or more CDC-recognized symptoms of COVID-19: fever, dry cough, shortness of breath, chills, muscle pain, headache, sore throat or loss of taste and/or smell.

SMALL BUSINESS GRANTS: Lamont McClure, the Northampton County Department of Community and Economic Development (DCED) and the Greater Lehigh Valley Chamber of Commerce announced the opening of the applications for \$4 million in COVID-19 Small Business Assistance grants.

Applications for Small Business Assistance Grants are now open. To qualify, a business must be located in Northampton County and have fewer than 100 employees.

CORONER REPORT: As of July 14, data collected by the Northampton County Coroner shows that 267 people have passed away due to COVID-19 in Northampton County (240 Northampton County residents, 27 residents of other counties and states).

Residents: Allen Twp., 1; Bangor, 2; Bethlehem Twp., 57; City of Bethlehem, 26; City of Easton, 38; Forks Twp., 6; Freemansburg, 1; Hanover Twp., 1; Hellertown, 5; Lehigh Twp., 2; Lower Nazareth Twp., 3; Lower Saucon Twp., 1; Moore, 1; Nazareth, 2; Northampton, 3; Palmer Twp., 29; Plainfield Twp., 1; Tatamy, 1; Upper Nazareth Twp., 76; Washington Twp., 19; Williams Twp., 3; Wilson, 2; Wind Gap, 1.

Non-residents: Astoria, NY, 1; Bronx, NY, 1; Bucks County, 4; City of Allentown, 3; Glen Garden, N.J., 1; Lehigh Co., 2; Lopatcong Twp. NJ, 1; Lower Macungie Twp., 1; Millersburg, PA, 1; Monroe County, 6; Montgomery County, 1; Phillipsburg, NJ, 2; Upper Macungie, 1; Washington N.J., 1.

Demographic data for 267 deaths reported by the Northampton County Coroner

The ages of the deceased range from 29 to 106 years of age. Average age of the deceased is 83.0 years. Gender - 52 percent Female, 48 percent Male. Race: 89 percent White, 6 percent African American, 1 percent Asian, 4 percent Hispanic.

Demographic data for 42 deaths reported by the Lehigh County Coroner

Average age of the deceased is 76 years. Gender - 43 percent Female, 57 percent Male. Race: 74 percent White, 22 percent Hispanic, 2 percent African American, 2 percent Filipino, 0 percent Asian.

PENNSYLVANIA

FORMER GOVERNORS' BACKING: Three former Pennsylvania governors voiced their support for how Governor Tom Wolf and his administration have responded to the COVID-19 pandemic, including endorsing statewide mitigation efforts and mask-wearing.

"As a former Governor of Pennsylvania, I know all too well the importance of swift action to keep Pennsylvanians safe during a crisis," former Gov. Mark Schweiker said. "Governor Wolf has worked throughout this pandemic to both safeguard our citizens and keep our economy moving during this hard time."

"All Pennsylvanians should heed the Wolf Administration's directives to wear a mask when out of the home," former Gov. Tom Ridge said. "Like all Pennsylvanians, Gov. Wolf and Secretary Levine are hoping to avoid the COVID-19 spikes impacting other states so that we can get our economy back up and running as soon as possible."

"A global pandemic like this requires leadership and swift action to prevent devastating effects on our citizens and our society," See UPDATE on Page A4

RULES

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and incidents surrounding the use of force and bias-based policing, including those involving police-involved shootings resulting in injury or death of civilians, and to prepare a report if warranted.

"It is my hope that with input from this commission, the commonwealth's law enforcement agencies can serve as a model of excellence for law enforcement throughout Pennsylvania and the country," Wolf said.

House Bill 1841, sponsored by Rep. Harry Readshaw, requires a

thorough background check for law enforcement applicants prior to being employed and requires a law enforcement agency to disclose employment information. The bill also establishes an electronic database housed and maintained by the Municipal Police Officers' Training and Education Commission that contains separation records of law enforcement officers.

A hiring report that indicates the prospective law enforcement agency's reason and rationale must be completed if a hiring law enforcement agency hires an individual

whose separation record includes any of the following:

- Excessive force;
Harassment;
Theft;
Discrimination;
Sexual abuse or misconduct;
Domestic violence;
Coercion of a false confession;
Filing a false report;
A judicial finding of dishonesty.

House Bill 1910, sponsored by Rep. Dan Williams, requires mental health evaluations with a focus on PTSD of law enforcement officers as a condition of continued employment.

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ty spread of the virus, and we don't want the opening of schools to contribute to that."

"Our goal is by the end of July, beginning of August, to roll out plans for the school board to approve. We don't want to make a premature decision; we want to make it with the approval, support, and advice of our public health experts."

Diocese plans as of July 16

The Diocese of Allentown is the region's Catholic education system, serving 9,700 students in seven high schools, 27 elementary schools and three special learning centers in Berks, Carbon, Lehigh, Northampton and Schuylkill counties.

Chancellor of Catholic Education Dr. Brooke Tesché indicated that many new procedures will be in place to reduce students' proximity to each other and to staff, including updated policies for non-instructional time.

ment figures across the diocese and the differing physical plants, classroom instruction will likely look very different from school to school.

The Office of Education is currently reviewing each principal's health and safety plan. Once these plans are aligned with diocesan goals and approved, they will be posted on individual schools' websites; the diocese is targeting July 24 for the release of this information.

Tentative reopening plans reviewed SAUCON VALLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT

BY CHRIS HARING Special to the Bethlehem Press

The July 14 Saucon Valley School Board meeting centered on the same challenge that districts across the country are facing: What will school look like come fall?

Before the meeting, Superintendent Dr. Craig Butler held two virtual parent information meetings on Zoom July 13, one in the morning and the other in the evening, on their Summary Outline of the Health and Safety Plan.

The three-page summary, as well as results of a parent survey conducted in June, can be found on the Saucon Valley website attached to the meeting agenda.

Many faculty members, parents and other residents expressed concerns with the plan in the public comment portion of the meeting.

Katie Wechtler, a teacher at Southern Lehigh, spoke first. She inquired about the live-stream option (Option B for students under the proposed plan), asking if there would be student interaction with the teacher?



Saucon Valley School Board discusses reopening plans virtually through Zoom.

to an in-person group and a virtual group at the same time, calling it "a lot to handle all at once."

She also asked if teachers were involved in the development of the plan, as she and others indicated that teachers have been left out of discussions on the plan since early June.

She also noted that Butler had stressed how important recess is and asked for some further

details, such as whether students would be able to use recess equipment and how students might be disciplined when they don't follow rules.

Bob Kachmar, a 22-year veteran Saucon teacher and his wife, Robyn Heppenheimer, a 25-year Saucon teacher, echoed Wechtler's concerns.

"Teachers have not been involved in the process of developing the Health and Safety Plan since early June, and even then... it could be argued that they were not being heard. You can't tout this plan as being developed by teacher input at this point,"

He was also very critical of Option B, characterizing it as "not feasible or realistic in delivery." He agreed with Wechtler in that it would be very difficult to simultaneously teach students in person and at home.

"At home is an entirely different audience that requires a different set of activities," he said, saying the proposed plan will greatly dilute the experience of both groups. He said that trying to do both ensures that neither will be done well and that "the students at home would be on the

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former Gov. Ed Rendell said. "Governor Wolf's mitigation efforts have been both effective and strong, and, as a result has saved the lives of countless Pennsylvanians. The recent spike means we must pull together again as a Commonwealth to stop the spread of this disease and keep our citizens and communities safe. The Governor's new executive order on mitigation is the right thing to do, is measured and Pennsylvania will be better and safer for it. I encourage all of my fellow Pennsylvanians to stay safe, to wear a mask, to practice social distancing, and to help stop the spread of this disease."

SELF-PROTECTION: Department of Health Secretary Dr. Rachel Levine warned the commonwealth is on the verge of repeating the pattern that led to widespread community shut-downs in the spring to mitigate COVID-19, urging residents to stop the cycle by wearing a mask and making important choices to reduce exposure.

The number of Pennsylvanians over the age of 65 who are positive for COVID-19 has dropped to about half of the overall cases. The number of Pennsylvanians aged 19-49 with positive cases now account for 45 percent of the total case count.

"Our experience from the beginning of the pandemic shows that first cases rose in younger people, some of whom became very sick, required hospitalization and went on to recover," Dr. Levine said. "Then COVID-19 spread quickly throughout the community, impacting congregate settings like nursing homes where most of our serious illnesses and deaths have occurred."

Dr. Levine encouraged residents to make the choice and avoid situations where they could be exposing themselves to COVID-19.

"If you feel uncomfortable with how close people are at the restaurant where you are dining, make the choice to leave," Dr. Levine said. "If you are in a store where people are not following the mandatory mask order, make the choice to leave. And if you are getting together with people who are bragging that they are not changing their lifestyle at all and refusing to wear a mask, make the choice not to go."

PLCB ENFORCEMENT: Pennsylvania State Police Liquor Control Enforcement Officers visited 3,904 licensed liquor establishments from Monday, July 13 through Thursday, July 16 as part of their regular work to ensure businesses are abiding by COVID-19 mitigation requirements that include social distancing, masking, and other health and safety requirements of the liquor code.

The officers issued 44 warnings for failing to follow COVID-19 requirements. Compliance checks are unannounced and can occur anywhere in the commonwealth, although the focus is on areas experiencing higher coronavirus transmission rates. Among other requirements, all businesses and employees in the restaurant and retail food service industry authorized to conduct in-person activities are mandated to:

- Require all customers to wear masks while entering, exiting or otherwise traveling throughout the restaurant or retail food service business (face masks may be removed while seated). Further, employees are required to wear masks at all times.

- Provide at least six feet between parties at tables or physical barriers between customers where booths are arranged back to back.

- Ensure maximum occupancy limits for indoor and outdoor areas are posted and enforced.

UNEMPLOYMENT: On July 16, the Pennsylvania Department of Labor & Industry (L&I) released its employment situation report for June 2020. Data collected for the June employment situation report was for the reference week of June 7 to 13.

Pennsylvania's unemployment rate was down four-tenths of a percentage point over the month to 13.0 percent in June. The national rate fell 2.2 percentage points from May's level to 11.1 percent. The commonwealth's unemployment rate increased by 8.7 percentage points from June 2019, while the national rate was up 7.4 points over the year.

GAMING REVENUE: The Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board reported combined fiscal year 2019/20 revenue figures which runs from July 1 to June 30. The combined gross revenue figures include slot machine, table games, sports wagering, i-gaming, video gaming terminals (VGIs) and fantasy contests.

Total combined revenue for the fiscal year 2019/20 was \$2,724,785,117. This is down 18 percent from fiscal year 2018/19, primarily as a direct result of casino shutdowns and other factors related to COVID-19 restrictions. This included closure of casinos for nearly three months, affecting slot machine, table games, video gaming terminals (VGIs) and retail sport wagering, along with the stoppage of play of major sporting events which affected all sports wagering.

HAZARD PAY GRANTS: Governor Tom Wolf announced the availability of \$50 million in grant funding to help employers provide hazard pay to employees in life-sustaining occupations during the COVID-19 pandemic. Hazard pay is intended to keep front-line employees working in vital industry sectors across Pennsylvania.

Created through the federal Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act, this reimbursement-based grant is available to employers offering hazard pay during the eligible program period and will be administered by the Department of Community and Economic Development (DCED). Businesses may apply for grants up to a maximum of \$3 million.

The following applicants are eligible to apply:

- Businesses
- Healthcare Nonprofits
- Public Transportation Agencies
- Certified Economic Development Organizations (CEDO)
- Eligible Pennsylvania-based industries include:
 - Healthcare and Social Assistance
 - Ambulatory Health Care Services
 - Hospitals
 - Nursing and Residential Care Facilities
 - Transit and Ground Passenger Transportation
 - Food Manufacturing
 - Food Retail Facilities
- Security Services for eligible industries listed above and commercial industries that were not closed as a result of the Governor's Business Closure Order
- Janitorial Services to Buildings and Dwellings

Grant funds may be used for hazard pay for direct, full-time and part-time employees earning less than \$20/hour, excluding fringe benefits and overtime for the 10-week period from Aug. 16 to Oct. 24. Applicants may apply for up to \$1,200 per eligible full-time equivalent (FTE) employee. Employers may apply for a grant to provide hazard pay for up to 500 eligible full-time equivalent employees per location.

Eligible applicants may apply for grants using the online DCED Electronic Single Application for Assistance located at www.esa.dced.state.pa.us from July 16, 2020, to July 31, 2020. Program inquiries may be directed to (717) 787-6245 or ra-dcedcbf@pa.gov.

COVID-19 TREATMENT SUPPORT: Governor Tom Wolf has announced the availability of \$10 million in grant funding through the COVID-19 Vaccines, Treatments, and Therapies (CV-VTT) program to support the rapid advancement of vaccines, treatments, and therapies by qualified biotechnology entities in response to the COVID-19 pandemic.

This program is available to Pennsylvania-based entities that demonstrate both a financial need and a well-defined pathway to the accelerated commercialization of a new vaccine, treatment, or therapy in direct response to the fight against COVID-19.

The following applicants are eligible to apply:

- Colleges and universities
- For-profit companies
- Academic medical centers
- Nonprofit research institutions
- Economic development organizations

Eligible applicants may apply for grants and learn more about the CV-VTT program here. The application deadline is July 24.

Elaine Leone Francis

Central Moravian Church member



Elaine Leone Francis, 94, of Bethlehem, died July 10, 2020, while in Manor Care, Bethlehem. Born in New York City, she was a daughter of the late Hubert Neil and Leone Bernadine (Douglas) Francis.

She earned a bachelor of arts degree from Montclair State College. After moving to Bethlehem in 1983, she studied at Northampton Community College and Moravian Theological Seminary.

She was a member of Central Moravian Church. She is survived by a daughter, Brenda L. and her husband William W. Sanderson III; three grandchildren, Lorain, William IV and Prentice (Jennilee) Sanderson; and three great-grandchildren.

She was predeceased by a daughter, Bernadine; a sister, Angeliqne Leonora; and a brother, Aldolphus Lionel.

Contributions may be made to Central Moravian Church - Food Pantry, 73 W. Church St., Bethlehem, PA 18018.

Arrangements were made by James Funeral Home Inc., Bethlehem.

James W. Masteller

formerly of Bethlehem



James W. Masteller, 85, of Allen Township and formerly of Bethlehem, died July 4, 2020. Born in Bethlehem, he was a son of the late Raymond and Emma (Souders) Masteller. He was the husband of Betty (Ramberger) Masteller for 43 years.

He worked for Bethlehem Steel Corp. for 34 years before retiring in 1986.

He was a former member of East Hills Moravian Church, Bethlehem.

In addition to his wife, he is survived by two children, Diane Rogan (Bill) of Moore Township and Dale Masteller (Maria) of Catasauqua; five stepchildren, Robin Forte and Jan Paziienza (Joseph), all of Florida, Jamie Brekus (Peter) of Bethlehem, Robert Kvacky (Debbie) of Fountain Hill and Joel Kvacky (Marsha) of Moore Township; a sister, Jane McGough of Alabama; 12 grandchildren; and 29 great-grandchildren.

He was predeceased by three sisters; one brother; and two grandchildren, Caleb Dancho and John Forte.

Services will be private. Contributions may be made to East Hills Moravian Church, 1830 Butztown Road, Bethlehem 18017.

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Betty Jean (Crush) McGouldrick

St. Ursula rectory housekeeper

Betty Jean (Crush) McGouldrick, 90, of Fountain Hill, died, July 11, 2020, at Lehigh Valley Hospital - Muhlenberg. Born in Mountainville, she was a daughter of the late Harvey and Helen (Sallade) Crush. She was the wife of the late Francis J. McGouldrick for 68 years.

She was a housekeeper for St. Ursula church rectory for many years.

She was a member of St. Ursula Catholic Church, Fountain Hill.

She was a member of the Golden Hiller's Club, the Woman's Guild and The Altar and Rosary Society.

She is survived four children, Francis J. Jr. and his wife Theresa of Bethlehem, Patricia A. Donsecz and her husband William of Nazareth, Thomas M. McGouldrick and his wife Kim of Fountain Hill and Michelle M. Balog and her husband John of Fountain Hill; a brother, Kenneth F. Crush and his wife Verna of Macungie; 14 grandchildren; 19 great-grandchildren; and four step-great-grandchildren.

She was predeceased by a son, Timothy C. McGouldrick; and a grandson, Michael F. Balog.

Contributions may be made to St. Ursula Catholic Church, 1300 Broadway, Fountain Hill, Pa. 18015.

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outside looking in." He asked why they wouldn't design a learning experience structured to their entirely different learning environment.

"I haven't heard of any other district that is going this route," he said, adding he would like to see the district's teachers brought back to the table.

Jim Colbert, an Instructional Technology teacher in the district and president of the Saucon Valley Educational Association, said that from June 23 teachers no longer had any input, and although it was conveyed to the public that they were on board, that's not necessarily true. He also indicated that as the district is planning to start the year with two guidance counselors out on maternity leave, the social and emotional health of students should be of utmost importance.

Grant Geiger, a counselor at the high school, agreed and said that he was not told the district

administration had not sought a substitute to cover his pregnant colleague's position.

Colbert also expressed concern over potential spread of the virus, saying he doesn't know why students won't be expected to wear masks even though they're keeping six feet apart.

"I hope we're willing to pay closer attention to CDC guidelines and not necessarily a parent survey," he said. He compared the situation to managing prior lice outbreaks and MRSA in the wrestling room, saying that as they "weren't always easy, this will be much more difficult."

Amber Krisukas, a teacher in the district who indicated that she is currently pregnant, was very concerned about her health, as well as those around her.

"Based on your barebones plan, I'm left with more questions than answers," she said. "What happens when I get sick...?"

She said that since March, she has personally taken great precautions to avoid COVID,

having her groceries delivered and avoiding public places as much as possible.

"Your plan is not thorough and doesn't ensure anyone's safety," she said, airing her apprehension over relying on students' and their parents' judgment to self-quarantine and not come to school if they feel unwell.

Avia Weber, a rising senior in the district, said teachers are the ones who know the students better than anyone in this district. She expressed concern about plans for the virtual component as it related to younger students.

"As an AP [Advanced Placement] and Honors student, I cannot imagine sitting in front of a computer for eight hours," she said. "I don't know how an 8-year-old can do that if a 16-year-old can't."

Angie McFetridge, a district parent, also wasn't sold on the reopening plan, as she put it. She said her biggest point of contention was on how to avoid a larger outbreak if students

start testing positive for COVID-19.

"Opening without a plan to test is just irresponsible at this point," she said. "Relying on parents to not send their children to school sick is not reliable."

She also characterized the cleaning and hygiene plans as "too vague," observing that there is "no clear-cut plan for students to wash their hands before lunch," for example.

Another district parent, Carrie Fluke, spoke representing a group of concerned parents wondering how elimination of lockers will work regarding students' textbooks.

"It's like a 50-pound knapsack" students often carry around, even with lockers, she said.

David Lloyd, a district math teacher, said the plan doesn't sound bad, but it sounds "rushed."

"It sounds like we're building an airplane while it's already in the air," he said. "As a teacher, I am going to have 20 or more students in my See SAUCON on Page 5

Carmen D. Torres

Sure Fit seamstress



Carmen D. Torres, 79, of St. Petersburg, Florida, and formerly of Bethlehem, died in her home on July 9, 2020. Born in Puerto Rico, she was a daughter of the late Faustino and Romona (Maldonado) Rivera. She was the wife of the late Herminio Torres Sr.

She was a seamstress at Sure Fit for many years until she retired.

She was a parishioner of Holy Infancy Catholic Church, Bethlehem.

She is survived by a daughter, Molly Wade; five sons, William, Herminio Jr., David, Samuel and Mickey Torres; many grandchildren; and great-grandchildren.

She was predeceased by a daughter, Irma Torres. Arrangements were made by James Funeral Home Inc., Bethlehem.

Dominick John Labert

Se-Wy-Co Fire Company member

Dominick John Labert, 81, of Bethlehem, died June 16, 2020. Born in Hazelton, he was a son of the late John and Rosemary (Liberti) Labert. He was the husband of Shirley A. (Zampar) Labert for 60 years.

He was a graduate of Liberty HS. He retired from the Bethlehem Steel Corporation and later from First Union Bank.

He was a lifetime member of Se-Wy-Co Fire Company.

In addition to his wife, he is survived by two sons, David and his wife Kristine and Dominick Jr. and his wife Kimberly; four grandchildren, Kristen Miller and her husband Kevin, Nicholas and his wife Meredith, Daniel and Andrew Labert; and one great-granddaughter, Lilianna.

He was predeceased by a brother, Tom Labert; and a sister, Angeline Ronco.

Services will be private. Contributions may be made to St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, Tenn. 38105.

Arrangements were made by Connell Funeral Home Inc., Bethlehem.

Robert F. Lehman

electrical engineer



Robert F. Lehman, 85, of Bethlehem, died July 11, 2020, at St. Luke's Hospice House. Born in Bethlehem, he was a son of the late Franklin and Emma (Moyer) Lehman. He was the husband of Susan (Allem) Lehman for 57 years.

He was in the U.S. Army. He graduated from Liberty HS and Lehigh University.

He was an electrical engineer for PPL Utilities. In addition to his wife, he is survived by two daughters, Amy Lehman and Karen Shupe and her husband Kenneth; a sister, Phyllis Huk and her husband William; and a nephew, Michael Huk and his wife Michele.

He was predeceased by a son, Timothy Lehman. Services will be private.

Contributions may be made to The American Cancer Society, 3893 Adler Place, Suite 170, Bethlehem, PA 18017.

Arrangements were made by Cantelmi Long Funeral Home Inc., Bethlehem.

Leasa DeWalt

born in Bethlehem

Leasa DeWalt, 62, of Fountain Hill, died July 5, 2020, at St. Luke's Hospital Fountain Hill. Born in Bethlehem, she was a daughter of the late Herbert and Winifred (Knecht) Funk. She was the wife of Marc DeWalt for 28 years.

In addition to her husband, she is survived by a son, Giles Carnes; two daughters, Missie Funk and companion Javier Ortiz and Bethany George and her husband Sean; eight grandchildren, Xavier, Destany, Reynaldo, Calvin, Kayla, Anthony, Leasa and Melissa; and five great-grandchildren.

She was predeceased by two sisters, Linda and Nanette.

Contributions may be made to The American Cancer Society, 3893 Adler Place, Suite 170, Bethlehem, PA 18017.

Arrangements were made by Cantelmi Long Funeral Home Inc., Bethlehem.

CHANGES- CANCELLATIONS- POSTPONEMENTS

Following the directives established by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention to limit public gatherings, several of the following meetings / activities might be changed, canceled, streamed or on-line. Check websites and social media as available.

Digital and virtual events

Banana Factory on-line digital exhibition: www.bananafactory.org.

Bethlehem Area Public Library: Buildings currently closed; touchless checkouts. General information: visit www.bapl.org (main) or at www.facebook.com/paBAPL or www.bapl.org/ssmain.htm (Southside) for online books, activities, etc.

Historic Bethlehem Museums and Sites digital programming: visit <https://historicbethlehem.org> or call 610-882-0450.

Moravian Archives, 41 W. Locust St. Open to the public, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. May 16. www.moravianchurcharchives.org/research/plan-visit/.

National Museum of Industrial History virtual museum on line: "Art of Precision: The Engineered Sculpture of Christopher Bathgate," through Aug. 30. 602 E. Second St. Visit <http://nmih.org/virtualmuseum>; call 610-694-6644 for dates, hours, programs, schedules.

July 19 to 25

Hellertown: Lower Saucon Restaurant Week 2020. For a list of participating restaurants, visit www.lehighvalleychamber.org.

Tuesday, July 21

Hellertown Borough Council and Administration announced that Community Day 2020 is canceled due to COVID 19.

Wednesday, July 22

Wednesday night shows (July dates -see facebook) from 7 to 9 p.m. by Craig Thatcher, Nyke Van Wyk and Cliff Starkey. More information: visit www.steelstacks.org or www.facebook.com/SteelStacks/.

Thursday, July 23

Virtual/live Tunes at Twilight, Sun Inn Courtyard, 564 Main St. rear. Information: visit www.facebook.com/GetDowntownBethlehem/

Black women writers, past and present, part two of four in the series (others are Aug. 6 and 20). Group experience with "Bondwoman's Narrative" by Hannah Craft and "Our Nig" by Harriet Wilson. 7 to 8 p.m. via Zoom with Jo Grim and Shelby Carr, Lehigh Ph.D. students. Visit www.bapl.org/events/black-women-writers-past-and-present-2/ for registration, Zoom and other instructions. Bethlehem Area Public Library, 11 W. Church St.

Saturday, July 25

Christmas in the Christmas City, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Free LVHN mask and hand sanitizer to first 100 people. 324 S. New St., SouthSide; Donegal Square, 534 Main St., North side. Holly Jolly Shopping Spree, Mistletoe Market Shops with self-guided shopping tour, raffle prizes, free samples, discounts, musicians (SouthSide and South Bethlehem Greenway); Historic District extra "Merry Hours" shopping, Window Decoration Competition winners. Visit www.getdowntownbethlehem.com or www.southsideartsdistrict.com

Bethlehem Rose Garden Farmers Market, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Between Elizabeth Avenue, Broad Street and Eighth Avenue.

The Bethlehem Press calendar listings are, to the best of our knowledge, correct at the time of printing. We are not responsible for the accuracy or reliability of information submitted by external parties.

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class. They will be unmasked - pretty much all day long. And I, as a teacher, am at least being considered to only wear a shield. That is unacceptable."

He said the plan needs more details.

"I would implore you to not vote on any sort of action tonight. Take your time. Get the teachers involved, get the community involved."

Superintendent Butler then gave a presentation, starting with the June parent survey results. As stated earlier, both the survey results and the plan summary can be found on the district's website.

In the survey, 53.6 percent of district parents indicated that they can provide transportation to and from school; 34.5 percent said they cannot provide transportation either way; 92.9 percent said they will not need Internet access assistance at home in the event of virtual learning; but 13.6 percent said they anticipate requiring assistance in training to learn some of the online learning platforms.

Only 13.1 percent of district parents said they are not comfortable sending their child back to school under CDC guidelines, although this survey was conducted before the recent spike in cases in Pennsylvania.

Butler then presented the Summary Outline of the Health and Safety Plan and stressed that it is a summary, and the full and complete plan will be shared in the very near future.

"I accept and take full ownership of this plan," he said, addressing

teachers' criticisms. "Yes we have not met with the (teacher) work group since the middle of June; however, we considered aspects of that group's work very much so. (In a group) you don't always agree on aspects of your discussion."

He reminded the board that the plan will be further developed over the next several weeks.

In the plan, students are given two options: Option A and Option B. In Option A, students are physically present in classrooms for full five-day weeks. Students must wear masks to school, but can remove them if they are at their workstations and maintaining six feet of physical distance from one another.

"I am proud to say that in classrooms, we can maintain that six-foot distancing standard," Butler said.

According to the PA Department of Health, a face-shield can be "as safe" as a mask. Shields, Butler said, may be better worn for instruction so students can see words being formed and facial expressions, although if a faculty member chooses to wear a mask, "that's fine."

Option B allows students to participate in home-based, online instruction. In response to some criticism that students would simply be watching and not engaging with their teachers, Butler said, "This is not a 'live feed,' per se. This is real time interaction."

He indicated that this option is primarily meant for parents who have students who are immunocompromised, uncomfortable with sending their children back or have other nu-

anced situations.

Butler said that based on feedback he's received, he believes Option A will be the overwhelmingly more popular choice.

"I am convinced that the (technological) tools that teachers have been and will be trained on will be effective," he said. "If our parents choose online instruction, we will do our very best to connect our students into the classroom every day and in every period."

He also described what it might look like if the area returns to 'red' under Governor Wolf's orders in the future, as all students will be in an all-virtual setting. Teachers will be pushing out instruction on a daily basis using all platforms, Butler said, and essential faculty and staff will be in buildings if allowable.

He also indicated that if the governor were to allow it, some small groups of at-risk and identified students may be brought in for in-person instruction.

In the event of a positive COVID case and/or symptoms, the student or staff member will be removed from the school environment for a minimum of 14 days, Butler indicated. According to the plan, a doctor's release, no evidence of an elevated temperature or COVID symptoms, and two negative tests will be required to return.

All parents, students and/or staff members affected will be contacted to make them aware of the positive test and contact tracing shall be enacted. There will be increased vigilance in the affected areas monitoring signs and symptoms and increased cleaning, hygiene and sanitation

in the affected areas. If determined necessary, all affected individuals will be quarantined and placed on online instruction.

Classrooms doors will be propped open to reduce touches per day. Entry and exit doors will be cleaned throughout the day and some custodians will be moved from evening to day shift for higher frequency day-time cleaning.

Drinking fountains will be turned off, and students will be encouraged to bring their personal drink bottles. Towels will be provided in bathrooms as an option to the air dryer. There will be a bucket of wipes and a bottle of sanitizer in every classroom and protective suits and sneeze guards have been ordered and will be available.

Regarding busing, plans are for allowing one student per seat (unless students cohabitate), with assigned seating. Masks will also be required on buses and will be provided to students who forget or lose their mask. Buses will be cleaned twice daily, after the morning run and the afternoon run.

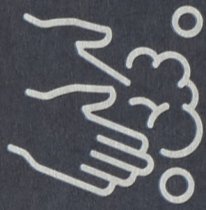
Middle and high school lunch procedures will be heavily monitored, Butler said, with marked spots on the floor for social distancing and marked seating at tables for physical distancing and staggered seating.

Students will eat in the cafeteria, adjacent hallways and other large group areas to achieve social distancing. Students will be instructed to wear masks when not eating, and lunch paraprofessionals will assist with additional cleaning. Elementary students See **SAUCON** on Page A6

STAY SAFE



Protect



Clean



Distance



Screen

This is a marathon, not a sprint. The pandemic isn't over, and we need to be smart - wear a face mask, wash your hands and put distance between yourself and others when possible. If you feel sick, stay home.

Let's work together to reach the finish line, safely. Our community's health depends on it. Get the facts at LVHN.org.



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will eat in their classroom utilizing menu pre-orders.

Board President Dr. Shamim Pakzad indicated during later discussion that this plan does not reflect CDC guidelines as far as he understood, in which students are instructed to eat lunch in their classrooms. He mentioned a pediatrician friend who has two children in the district as describing a lunch room as a "bar without alcohol."

"This is one glaring violation of the guidelines," he said.

Butler went on to indicate that physical distancing will be enforced in hallways and other high traffic areas during arrival and dismissal, in classrooms, during recess, gym, music, and other potentially large gathering areas (optional environments available to any student/family uncomfortable with this arrangement).

He said there will be no daily pre-screening for fevers at the school, and it is the responsibility of the students, faculty and staff to self-monitor body temperatures at home prior to coming to school. Visitors will also be restricted to those providing service to students and staff. Meetings with parents will be ac-

complished virtually. "In reiteration, this is a summary," Butler said, indicating that the full and complete safety plan is very near completion at this point.

"It is voluminous in nature," he said, and very detailed.

Board member Sandra Miller asked if the plan will be posted. Butler said it would be once it is "tidied-up," sometime early in the week of July 19. He went on to say that at the July 28 meeting, he'd present the complete state.

Butler said he wants to conduct another meeting with parents, faculty and the community prior to official approval of the plan.

District solicitor Mark Fitzgerald noted that he anticipates further actions or approvals in light of new guidance from the state department of health between now and then and board member Shawn Welch agreed that it is "more of a 'living plan,' (and) subject to change."

The summary was ultimately approved by an 8-1 vote, with Edward Andres voting 'no,' as he and other board members who ultimately voted 'yes' took issue with an amendment to the plan presented by Pakzad which effectively bound the plan to CDC guidelines.

Andres, Shawn

Welch, Michael Karabin and others raised concerns that there have been competing sources of "official" guidance released by the CDC, state and local health officials. When there are discrepancies, the administration should not be bound to choose one over the other.

After much debate, several members who voted 'no' on Pakzad's amendment approved the plan as proposed with the amendment attached.

Lastly, the board discussed the future of their meetings and what they might look like going forward.

There has been a push to return to in-person meetings not just in Saucon Valley but in many local districts. The point has been raised that if school boards are willing to vote to send faculty, staff and students back to school, they should be willing to return meetings to an in-person, if somewhat modified, format. Board member Bryan Eichfeld pointed out, however, that many believe that there is value in having a virtual component to the meetings.

"I've always been very in favor of opening things up to the public," Eichfeld said, but agreed that meetings are more effective when held in-person.

Welch agreed. "As this thing winds down, assuming it eventually does," he said, "the format can be revisited in the future."

Board member Tracy Magnotta said she had suggested having a virtual component to meetings approximately a year ago and asked the board to give flexibility for people who travel for work and have conflicts and childcare issues.

Board Vice President Susan Baxter encouraged members of the public who wish to participate to show up in person. Currently, the meetings are broadcast on YouTube, which allows remote viewers to watch live, but provides no opportunity for viewers to participate.

All board members were in favor of returning to a physical component with hope for a hybrid model, as board technology director Michael Hanssen indicated that it would be possible, although he said that having it totally ready by the next meeting July 28 may not be feasible.

Ultimately, the board agreed to revisit the topic.

Editor's note: This is a rather long story, but it is our feeling that the public needs to know the care being taken in preparing to reopen schools.

CENTER FOR ANIMAL HEALTH & WELFARE

Animals are available for adoption at the Center for Animal Health & Welfare no-kill shelter, 1165 Island Park Road, Easton. The shelter is working to end pet overpopulation by running a clinic so animals can be spayed or neutered before they go home. For more information, call 610-252-7722 or visit www.healthyanimalcenter.org.

It is also hosting a Day of Action Aug. 1 and 2 to help clear out the shelter of clutter and to get organized. They are limiting spaces due to COVID-19, but still have plenty of open availability. Anyone interested in helping can sign up via a sign-up genius located on the facebook page.



Daphne, an English mastiff, is about 6 years old. She is very sweet and loving, but can be shy at first. Daphne is looking for a new family to give her love and attention. Daphne would do best in a home that doesn't have any cats or young children.



Mama Rose came to CAHW in April 2020 when her previous owners could no longer care for her. This sweet, 9-year-old, little lady is looking for her new forever home as soon as possible. Mama Rose loves to curl up in comfy places in order to take naps.

VOLUNTEERS

A full calendar appears on the Bethlehem Press website

ALLENTOWN AREA ECUMENICAL FOOD PANTRY needs volunteers Monday, Thursday and Friday, and an occasional Tuesday. Volunteers will pack groceries noon -2/2:30 p.m. into two bags each for the number of clients who have come that day. Everyone must wear a mask. Call Vanessa, 610-821-1332, aaefb1978@gmail.com.

ALLENTOWN RESCUE MISSION asks you to join the Make A Meal and Drop Program to help feed men at the Mission. Prepare a meal at home with your family and drop it off at the Allentown Rescue Mission using curbside drop-off. This allows you to fill your time while also filling the stomachs of hungry and homeless men. To sign up to make a meal, contact Food Service Manager, Terry 610-740-5500, ext. 328

EASTON AREA COMMUNITY CENTER is looking for volunteers (min. age 18) for their summer camp program. Interested individuals should enjoy working with children aged 5 to 16 years old. They will be assisting with arts and crafts activities as well as outdoor sports activities. Volunteers are needed from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday from June 29 through Aug. 7. Call Madeline Lozowski, mvlcaecc@ptd.net.

GRACEDALE NURSING HOME, Nazareth. There are over 500 residents living at Gracedale who could use a pick-me-up! Why not spend a few minutes of your day sharing happy (non-religious) thoughts and well wishes with the men and women in the facility who have not been able to receive visitors or participate in group programs. Our dedicated staff would also enjoy some notes of thanks and will be able to distribute cards, letters or handmade drawings to the residents. Both youth and adults are encouraged to help stimulate their imagination and bring smiles to the faces of all who view their handiwork! Mail your items to Gracedale Nursing Home, attn: Jennie Repsher, 2 Gracedale Ave., Nazareth, PA 18064

SECOND HARVEST FOOD BANK, Nazareth needs volunteers to help assemble Sunshine Boxes today. Tasks include packing boxes of food, organizing and loading packages, and assembling cardboard boxes. Minimum age 16 with adult supervision. Volunteers must not have been in contact with a COVID-19 positive person or have family members who are at higher risk. Water, snacks, gloves, and masks (or bring your own) will be provided during your volunteer shift. Masks and gloves are required for all volunteers. Sign-up link: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040B4BA-BAF23A5F94-volunteer6> For questions, contact Lizette Soto, at (484) 287-4015 or lsoto@caclv.org.

SHANTHI PROJECT, Northampton County - Teaching Social-Emotional Resiliency Through the practice of Mindfulness, is looking for board members with backgrounds in any of the following areas: finance, HR, and fundraising. Board meetings are held quarterly throughout the year. Contact Maureen, 610-829-9134, maureen@shanthiproject.org www.shanthiproject.org

SHARECARE FAITH IN ACTION, Bethlehem needs many volunteers to help taking people to their vital appointments. All volunteers will have to attend on-line orientation, provide criminal background check, and provide proof of insurance. Cloth masks and hand sanitizer provided to volunteers. All clients will sit in back seat and wear a mask as well. Call Lynn Heiney, 610-867-2177, sharecare8@aol.com

VOLUNTEER CENTER OF THE LEHIGH VALLEY is continuing to support community nonprofits. In response to COVID-19 they have created a webpage to post information on volunteer needs as well as specific support of supplies for the nonprofit organizations. The site is updated regularly by the nonprofits. Please visit www.volunteerlv.org/covid-19 to see how you can help!

THE CENTER FOR ANIMAL HEALTH AND WELFARE, Easton, is seeking volunteers to walk dogs, assist with a.m. cleanings, attend off site events to promote the shelter, cat and dog enrichment and general shelter help. If interested in helping, please contact Walt Hoffman at 610-252-7722, ext. 4 or email cahwvolunteercoordinator@rcn.com.

Volunteer Center to receive a brochure listing agencies in need of volunteers at 610-807-0336 or e-mail: vc@volunteerlv.org. Visit our website www.volunteerlv.org for a larger listing of volunteer opportunities.

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Mims brothers leave as greatest hoop duo

Katie Flynn a natural leader for Pates

BY PETER CAR
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Caleb and Malek Mims have had plenty of hours over the years to hone their basketball skills against each other. While they would never admit who has won more one-on-one matchups in the driveway or who might be a better player, the twin brothers don't need to prove that to each other.

After spearheading Freedom to their first district championship since 1976 this past winter, the Mims' brothers cemented themselves as the most talented duo on the hardwood this past season and come away as Freedom's Co-Male Athletes of the Year for the Bethlehem Press and Lehigh Valley Health Network.

The legacy they leave the Patriot program is one that may never be replicated from a pair of twins, as they depart as two of the best players ever in program history. The duo walks away as the No. 2 and No. 3 scoring leaders in school history, as Caleb leaves with 1,201 career points, followed by Malek's 1,119 career points.

Caleb also carries the school re-

cord for most three-pointers in a career with 138, while Malek takes home the school record for the most steals in a season with 112 and for a career (270).

"I think when I look back on my career, I'm glad that I don't have any regrets," said Caleb. "We started from the ground up and worked through everything to become the best we could be. The stats are nice, but winning districts was the best thing that we take away."

After losing four-straight games to end the regular season and their EPC quarterfinal contest with Liberty, Freedom's hopes of winning a district title didn't look favorable.

Instead, they regrouped and ran the table en route to topping Northampton 58-48 for the 6A crown. Caleb and Malek, who averaged 18 and 16 points respectively during the season, scored 17 combined points in the final to help end a 44-year district championship drought for the program.

"The past four years, all we talked about was winning a district title," said Malek. "When the football team won our junior year, we knew

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BY KATIE MCDONALD
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Last summer, Freedom girls' soccer coach Bob Eaton met with players Katie Flynn, Lily Judge, and Doris Muncan, telling them they had a good chance to go far in the upcoming season.

"We laughed at him," Flynn admitted.

But Coach knew best and the Patriots won the District XI championship.

"It was definitely unforgettable," said Flynn, Bethlehem Press's and Lehigh Valley Health Network's Female Athlete of the Year from Freedom High School. "There is not a single day I would change, and we left everything out on that field."

A natural leader since before high school, Flynn, a forward, was one of four captains on the girls' soccer team.

"She truly leads by example, both on and off the field, and when needed will speak up to ensure everyone on the team is focused, working together, and is as committed to the team's success as she is. Furthermore she is extremely coachable and when necessary takes on the

role of an on-the-field coach during games," said Coach Eaton.

"Katie was an integral part of the Freedom girl's team's success in that she was a true two-way player, being heavily involved in creating both scoring opportunities and winning the ball as well as playing solid defense, especially in stopping and slowing down opponents' attempts for quick transitions. She possess well above average speed, quickness, agility, and balance and has good strength for someone her size."

Flynn also played lacrosse for the Patriots and will continue to play for the Temple Owls when she goes to college this fall.

"Katie has exceptional speed and stick skills," said Coach Chris Innarella. "She has a relentless pursuit to be the best and instills that same intense drive and work ethic into her teammates. She has an arsenal of fakes and can change levels to move the most advanced goalies."

Flynn holds the Freedom school record of 230 goals and 282 points.

"I didn't really notice [the record] until the game of, when my coach

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Mims Bios

- The brothers helped to lead Freedom to first District 11 title since 1976.
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Flynn Bio

- Co-captained soccer team to D-11 title.
- Will play lacrosse at Temple.
- FHS school record for lacrosse goals (230) and points (282).

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PIAA moves forward with fall, for now

BY PETER CAR
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The PIAA announced that they are moving forward with the fall sports season on schedule.

That's the good news. The bad news, it seems, is that Gov. Wolf can seemingly jump in at any moment and put the kabash on another high school season.

But for the moment, business is as usual during corona times.

"Our focus is the health and safety of student athletes, which

is paramount in moving forward with athletics," the PIAA said in a written statement on Wednesday. "Each member school has developed health and safety guidelines to allow athletics to continue as an important part of the school day.

"Participation in athletics has known health benefits, including promoting physical fitness and mental wellness, which is necessary in a time of uncertainty for our student athletes."

With local college conferences like the Centennial (Muhlenberg and Moravian), the Patriot League (Lehigh and Lafayette) and the PSAC (Kutztown) saying goodbye to their fall seasons, the PIAA is standing firm at the moment.

"Right now the plan is that we're having sports as scheduled in the fall," said District 11 chairman and Whitehall athletic director Bob Hartman. "Things can change on the Gover-

nor's guidance.

"Obviously, local school decisions will come into play as well. We just needed some sort of direction from the PIAA because it was getting to close to crunchtime and this gives us a path."

The heat acclimation period for football begins on Aug. 10 and the full slate of fall practices for all sports (golf, girls tennis, girls volleyball, girls field hockey, cross country and boys and girls soccer) begins on

Aug. 17. The first date of football contests is slated for Aug. 28.

With many teams across the area proceeding with voluntary workouts since the beginning of July, Hartman acknowledged that it was an important step by the PIAA to give guidance on teams preparing for the fall season.

"I think this was an appropriate step and a positive one," Hartman said of the PIAA's decision. "Things can change and we'll have

plans in place if we have to make adjustments."

As far as the fall season goes, plans are to play the full schedule at the moment. Playoffs, on the other hand, will be a wait-and-see approach.

"We'll have talks on a district level about how we want to approach that," Hartman said, "but playoffs are not on the top of my head right now. We just want to give kids as many opportunities as possible to play sports."

As expected, minor league baseball season canceled

BY CHUCK HIXSON
Special to the Press

Major League Baseball is attempting to move forward with a shortened 2020 baseball season that will feature reduced travel and greatly enhanced safety measures designed to keep players, coaches and staff free from contracting COVID-19.

At times, the MLB season seemed tenuous at best – and still may be – but hopes of a minor league season were very low.

Recently, the official word came down that the minor league baseball season was officially a no-go.

The decision came after consideration of the costs both in financial terms and in safety concerns. With fans not being allowed into ballparks, but costs for game essentials such as lights, equipment and staff still a concern, the finances didn't add up. Safety concerns for players, coaches, umpires and team staffs also were a major issue that had to be factored into the decision.

"On behalf of the entire IronPigs organization, I promise that when the 2021 season arrives it will be our best season ever," said IronPigs president and general manager Kurt Landes in a statement. "More promotions, more fun and more entertainment. We will honor our front-line heroes, recognize our essential workers, and heal together – all while taking in our national pastime."

The 2020 season

would have been the 13th season of IronPigs baseball in the Lehigh Valley and would have likely seen top prospects Alec Bohm and Spencer Howard play at least part of the season in an IronPigs uniform. Various promotions and theme nights had already been planned for the season. Various members of the Phillies organization including former IronPigs Roman Quinn, Matt McBride and new manager Joe Girardi came to the Lehigh Valley in January for their annual banquet and were ready for the upcoming season.

The IronPigs organization has found creative ways to use Coca-Cola Park for family fun, including allowing fans to hit around a few golf balls on the field, having drive-by events for fans to get to wave to IronPigs mascots and hosting fireworks nights where people could view the fireworks from their cars. When Opening Day had been canceled, the team worked with the Pawtucket Red Sox to present video game versions of what may have happened in the opening weekend of games. They also built a charity component into the event with proceeds going to fight the coronavirus at local hospitals. Those plans will continue throughout the summer.

"We will be back, and IronPigs baseball will be better than ever," said Landes' statement. "In the meantime, we will continue to focus on other ways we can provide fun and entertainment

at Coca-Cola Park. We will also focus on supporting our community and the individuals who make the Lehigh Valley the wonderful place it is. We will miss baseball at Coca-Cola Park this summer and everything that makes the ballpark experience great. But more than anything, we will simply miss our fans the most."

Major league teams depend on minor league teams – especially at the Triple-A Level – to feed players to the big leagues. With minor league baseball shut-down, teams will have a taxi squad of players who will train and work-out at various minor league ballparks across the country. The Phillies will have their extra players stationed at Coca-Cola Park, which is known for its first-class training facilities and player amenities. The park's proximity to Philadelphia is also a plus for the team. It's not expected that fans will be allowed into the park to witness any of the workouts or baseball activities that the players will be participating in throughout the summer. As many as 34 players will be stationed at Coca-Cola Park for the remainder of the summer once the season begins.

The IronPigs sent an email to season ticket holders giving them the option of either rolling over their investment in tickets for the 2021 season or getting a full or partial refund for their seats that were already purchased.



Coca-Cola Park will host the finals of the baseball showcase.

Coca-Cola to host baseball showcase

BY PETER CAR
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The 32-team local baseball tournament that will be featuring teams from the East Penn Conference and Colonial League got an added boost recently with the news that Coca-Cola Park will serve as a host for the semifinals and championship round.

The tournament starts on Aug. 3 with games being played at various high schools in the pool stages. The 32-team format features eight pools of four, with each team in the group playing each other World Cup style. The top-two teams from each pool would then advance to a 16-team, single elimination bracket.

Pool stage contests

are set for Aug. 3 and 5, with the round of 16 and quarterfinals set for Aug. 7.

Semifinals are set for Aug. 9 with the championship game will be televised on Service Electric at 5:30 p.m. on Aug. 10.

With 17 teams from the EPC and 12 from the Colonial League, the tournament will also include Upper Perkiomen, Pennridge and Quakertown.

Times and sites for the pool stage contests aren't released yet, but the pools are listed below.

These tournaments are non-sanctioned PIAA events, but will follow all the necessary guidelines to keep athletes safe.

Pool A
Southern Lehigh,

Quakertown, Palisades, Pennridge

Pool B

Easton, Central Catholic, Bangor, Pen Argyl

Pool C

Notre Dame, Executive Academy, Moravian Academy, Wilson

Pool D

Liberty, Bethlehem Catholic, Catasauqua, Freedom

Pool E

Whitehall, Palmerston, Allen, Parkland

Pool F

Northampton, Pocono Mt. East, Pocono Mt. West, Nazareth

Pool H

Emmaus, Northwestern, Salisbury, Saucon Valley

Pool G

East Stroudsburg North, East Stroudsburg South, Pleasant Valley, Stroudsburg

GIRLS

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pulled me aside and said, "You need three goals," said Flynn.

Breaking that record meant a lot to Flynn because her former teammate, Emily Rowan, held that record when Flynn was a freshman and Rowan was a senior. Flynn, however, didn't get to have her senior lacrosse season when the coronavirus shut down all spring sports in the midst of preseason practices.

"Everything we did, we felt so strong, and then to have the season get cut off was just so hard," she said. "We felt like it was going to be our best season ever."

Coach Innarella could feel it too.

"In 2019 we ended one game short of the championship in both

EPC and Districts and that did not sit well with Katie. She wanted to achieve that same greatness with her lacrosse teammates as she did in soccer, and there was no stopping her and our team," said Innarella. "That was the goal this year, and this was the team we all believed could make it happen."

One way Flynn coped with the shutdown was to make a virtual video with her teammates.

"It was a shot to the heart, the sport I love the most, and I wasn't going to be able to play with my teammates again," she said. "It was nice to see everybody in the video, stick in their hand, that they still cared and our team didn't give up."

While desire, drive, and dedication describe Flynn well, Coach Eaton will miss Katie.

"Personally I will miss Katie's smile, her wit, and the constant humorous sarcasm we shared back and forth with each other at practice," he said.

In addition to being a great team leader, Coach Innarella called Flynn a really good person who cares about her teammates.

"I take it as the team looks up to me, but I'm at the same level as they are," said Flynn. "I'm there for them. I'll put them on my shoulders and climb up a mountain for my team. I'll do anything for them."

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Because our Athletes of the Year were scheduled to run from July 15-29, the Bethlehem Press will begin to work in our softball tournament coverage starting in next week's edition

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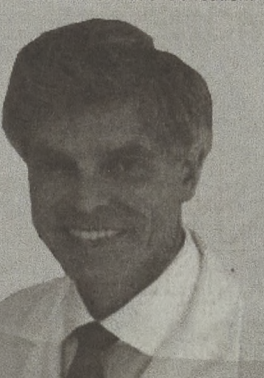
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NASCAR THIS WEEK

SPEED FREAKS

A few questions we had to ask ourselves

Where do you rank Childress Racing's 1-2 Texas finish among this year's surprises?

GODSPEAK: It busted into my top-5 list. I didn't see that one coming. It's going to be difficult to unseat the Daytona 500 finish as my top pick.

KEN'S CALL: It's more surprising than Cole Custer's win at Kentucky, and maybe even more surprising than Kyle Busch's ongoing absence from a Cup Series Victory Lane. But let's surely call it a pleasant surprise.

Is Tyler Reddick next to break through?

GODSPEAK: If he had just a little more tread on his tires, we'd be talking about a second rookie win this season. He will win a race this season and I sure hope he makes the playoffs.

KEN'S CALL: He was eighth and 10th at Indy and Kentucky before Sunday's runner-up finish, so this was no complete shock and, yes, he's a definite candidate for some checkers.

GODWIN'S PICKS FOR KANSAS

WINNER: Denny Hamlin
REST OF TOP 5: Brad Keselowski, Chase Elliott, Kyle Busch, Kevin Harvick
FIRST ONE OUT: Kurt Busch
DARK HORSE: Matt DiBenedetto
DON'T BE SURPRISED IF: After two surprise winners, the championship contenders take back the spotlight.

BY THE NUMBERS

- 0** NASCAR Cup races won by Kyle Busch in 2020
- 3** Cup Series career wins by Austin Dillon
- 8** Cup Series races left in regular season
- 10** Drivers who have clinched Cup Series playoff positions
- 99** All-time Cup Series wins by Wood Brothers Racing

DAYTONA MOTOR MOUTHS

We've forgotten more about racing than most folks know. And yes, sometimes that's an issue.



2020 CUP SERIES SCHEDULE AND WINNERS

- Feb. 9:** Clash at Daytona (Erik Jones)
- Feb. 16:** Daytona 500 (Denny Hamlin)
- Feb. 23:** Las Vegas (Joey Logano)
- March 1:** Fontana (Alex Bowman)
- March 8:** Phoenix (Joey Logano)
- May 17:** Darlington (Kevin Harvick)
- May 20:** Darlington (Denny Hamlin)
- May 24:** Charlotte (Brad Keselowski)



Austin Dillon does a burnout before a group of race fans after snapping an 88-race losing streak at Texas Motor Speedway. [CHEVY RACING/HAROLD HINSON]

THROUGH THE GEARS

NASCAR's long, strange trip continues

By Godwin Kelly
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We dig into the song vault to pull out this line from the Grateful Dead: "Lately it occurs to me, what a long, strange trip it's been."

And that about sums up the NASCAR Cup Series season to date, including two races and the All-Star event over a recent eight-day period.

This week? How about a Cup race on Thursday night? Time to hit the gas...

FIRST GEAR: The Cup Series has been a blur here lately. The boys raced at Kentucky, did the All-Star deal at Bristol then capped off the eight-day week with a brutally hot, 500-mile afternoon race at Texas Motor Speedway.

And there were surprises all around. Rookie Cole Custer from the Stewart-Haas Racing shop made a daring high-line pass around a group of veteran drivers to win at Kentucky.

Three days later, NASCAR's "Most Popular Driver," Chase Elliott, captured the All-Star Race, which was held at Bristol for the first time in history.

And this mad rush was capped with an unexpected one-two finish by the Richard Childress Racing camp, its first since 2011.

Austin Dillon put the brakes on an 88-race losing streak for the No. 3 Chevrolet and was followed across the line by rookie teammate Tyler Reddick.

"You stay patient," said Dillon of his long winless streak. "You have faith. I have faith. Faith can really

take you a long way. I'm not saying there wasn't a lot of ups and downs during that time period. You go through peaks and valleys."

SECOND GEAR: Austin Cindric captured the NASCAR Xfinity Series race at Texas. So what's the big deal about that?

Well, Kyle Busch was the first driver to take the checkered flag but under NASCAR's no-nonsense rules, his car failed post-race inspection and he was disqualified, his win negated. On the race report Busch finished last.

Busch bounced back and won the Texas Truck Series race then finished fourth in the Cup race.

THIRD GEAR: This super-hyped Cup Series rookie class is living up to the billing.

Cole Custer passed a glob of cars on a late restart to win a shootout finish at Kentucky and qualify for the playoffs.

Eight days later Tyler Reddick finished second at Texas and is now within 14 points of making the playoffs on points.

Christopher Bell is 21st in points. John Hunter Nemechek rounds out the rookie class.

FOURTH GEAR: So three races in eight days as NASCAR plays catch-up with its Cup schedule and finally syncs with the original schedule Aug. 29 at Daytona.

But just when you think things might be going back to normal, the Cup race this week at Kansas will be staged Thursday night, followed by a pair of Truck Series races and an Xfinity outing on Friday and Saturday.

In other words, pay close attention to the schedule.

QUESTIONS & ATTITUDE

Compelling questions ... and maybe a few actual answers

Was everyone wrong about midweek racin'?

Not sure about elsewhere, but everyone at my desk was wrong. Quick review: Most have assumed the 2021 schedule will feature some midweek races, and the networks are on board because midweek sports offerings are seemingly attractive. But then NASCAR's reconfigured 2020 schedule came along, with the need to pack in a bunch of races in a short time, and it allowed Fox and NBC to test-drive that midweek idea. The numbers are in ...

Not so good?

Everything is relative. Networks are happy to have 1.5 million or more watching live sports on a weeknight, but the midweek ratings are well below last year's weekend numbers and likely below expectations. Last Wednesday's All-Star race drew just over 2 million viewers, but even that was reportedly the smallest TV audience since 2003. It could be that many NASCAR fans are creatures of habit, and "Wednesday night at the races" hasn't quite caught on yet. This week, they'll try a Thursday.

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CUP STANDINGS

1. Kevin Harvick	721
2. Ryan Blaney	630
3. Brad Keselowski	615
4. Joey Logano	607
5. Chase Elliott	604
6. Denny Hamlin	578
7. Martin Truex Jr.	557
8. Aric Almirola	534
9. Kurt Busch	533
10. Kyle Busch	520
11. Alex Bowman	508
12. Matt DiBenedetto	476
13. Clint Bowyer	461
14. Austin Dillon	428
15. Jimmie Johnson	427
16. William Byron	425
17. Tyler Reddick	413
18. Erik Jones	403
19. Bubba Wallace	351
20. Chris Buescher	341

WHAT'S ON TAP

(All times Eastern)

CUP SERIES: Super Start Batteries 400

SITE: Kansas Speedway (1.5-mile oval)

TV SCHEDULE: Thursday, race (NBC Sports Network, 7:30 p.m.)

XFINITY: Kansas Lottery 250

SITE: Kansas Speedway

TV SCHEDULE: Saturday, race (NBC Sports Network, 5 p.m.)

GANDER RV & OUTDOORS TRUCK

SERIES: Kansas 200 (2)

SITE: Kansas Speedway

TV SCHEDULE: Friday, race (Fox Sports 1, 7 p.m.). Saturday, race (Fox Sports 1, 1:30 p.m.)

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A Virtual Awards Ceremony

BY NATE JASTRZEMSKI
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The Hellertown-Lower Saucon Chamber of Commerce is hosting its first-ever Virtual Awards Ceremony – Hellertown Heroes and Lower Saucon Lifesavers – July 29.

The program will celebrate all of the businesses/organizations that went above and beyond to support the community during these challenging times. The HLSC has heard about a multitude of heart-warming initia-

tives, whether it was donating PPE to healthcare workers, food to those less fortunate or raising money for a notable cause – these organizations deserve recognition.

The event is scheduled from 5:30 – 6:30 p.m. on Facebook Live. Community members can tune in by visiting the Hellertown-Lower Saucon Chamber's Facebook page. Hear from special guests, recognize awardees, and most all of, celebrate this community coming together to support one another.

Affiliated Chambers for the Greater Lehigh Valley Chamber Executive Vice President Jessica O'Donnell said, "We have heard so many wonderful stories of local businesses and organizations taking selfless action in helping our community fight this unfortunate pandemic. July 29 will be a very special evening as we take a moment to express our appreciation for all they have done to help so many in the H/LS area and beyond. Please don't miss out on this very worthwhile event!"

COLLEGE NOTES

Northampton Community College

Dr. Villar publishes vignette

The Scholarship and Practice of Undergraduate Research journal will publish a vignette by Dr. Beatriz Villar, professor of biology at the Monroe Campus of Northampton Community College. She was invited to submit a work from her prospectus, "Developing UREs (Undergraduate Research Experiences) at a Community College Branch Campus: A Collaborative Approach," which was accepted June 1.

The vignette is a result of work by Villar, Dr. John Leiser (biology and environmental science), Dr. Danielle Ringhoff (chemistry) and Jacalyn Speicher (biology) to encourage the development of student research experiences. Villar and Ringhoff are creating a strategic plan to establish long-term undergraduate research experiences. The team intends that the vignette will show other community colleges how NCC has worked to create undergraduate research opportunities and the different types of support these community colleges will need.

Penn State Lehigh Valley

Prospective student virtual event Aug. 5

Penn State Lehigh Valley is inviting all high school, transfer, adult, and veteran prospective students and their families to a virtual event from 6 to 8 p.m. on Aug. 5. "Spend a Summer Evening" and learn about the Penn State admissions process, financial aid timeline and the more than 275 degree options that are available. Explore (virtually) the Lehigh Valley campus.

Registration for this event is required; visit <https://lehighvalley.psu.edu/admission/admissions-events> or call 610-285-5035.

SCHOOL NEWS

FHS's Davies wins PPL scholarship

Ethan T. Davies, a Freedom HS senior, was a recent winner of the PPL Electric Utilities Future Environmental Leaders Scholarship.

He will receive \$2,000 toward his environmental system engineering studies at Penn State University. PPL founded the program in 2019 to assist high school seniors in its service area in pursuing an environmentally-related career.

Moravian Academy, Swain School partner

Lehigh Valley private schools Moravian Academy and The Swain School intend to sign a binding memorandum of understanding regarding a partnership later this summer. If approved during planned separate board votes later this summer, this would go into effect for the 2020-21 academic year.

Moravian's downtown and high school campuses and Swain in Allentown will continue to operate independently and provide small-school experiences for students. The partnership offers students more resources, such as additional course options, while maintaining small, close-knit school communities.

The schools will share business functions and benefit from economies of scale while maintaining independence in traditions, cultures and curricula. For more information, visit www.moravianacademy.org/our-story/moravian-academy-swain-partnership.

PEOPLE

Cozze appointed to PA Election Law Advisory Board

Governor Tom Wolf recently nominated Northampton County Registrar of Elections Amy Cozze to represent the 7th Congressional District to the Pennsylvania Election Law Advisory Board. The appointment is pending confirmation by the Pennsylvania State Senate.

PELAB, established on March 27, via Senate Bill 422, collaborates with agencies and political subdivisions to study election-related issues and identify best practices to ensure voting integrity. Membership includes one representative from each of Pennsylvania's 18 congressional districts.

Grennan's posters recognized

Meaghan Grennan 20 made coronavirus awareness posters as part of the Artistry Collective Club at Northampton Community College's Monroe Campus this past spring. The posters hung across campus and were displayed virtually on NCC social media channels.

Professor Alma Barrantes, advisor to the artistry collective, came up with the idea to edit World War I posters to reflect a current crisis. The plan was for interested club members to create one or two posters each that would then be circulated around campus, spreading awareness of coronavirus.

Tau Gamma inducts locals

Northampton Community College inducted several local residents into the Tau Gamma Chapter and Beta Beta Chi Chapter of Phi Theta Kappa, the international honor society of two-year colleges. The Bethlehem Campus ceremony was held June 17 via Zoom. This year's keynote speaker was NCC graduate Jose Ruiz, a former Tau Gamma chapter member and 2019's International Most Distinguished Member Award winner.

To qualify for membership, inductees must have a 3.5 or higher grade point average and be enrolled in an associate degree program.

Bethlehem area inductees are Lily Adefila, Kyle Bartek, Ian Capilitan-Pulanco, Abigail Catera, Anthony Childress, Salem Dijirolanio, Alexa Fancera, Neena Farooq, Biagio Fascelli, Travis Faust, Robert Fiedler, Eva Marie Frinzi, Hannah Gold, Eric Gorski, Haley Gunn, Ngan Ha, Devana Harrison, Kelsey Hoffner, Deric Hunsicker, Yuna Kang, Anthony Kassis, Keely Knappenberger, Tyler Krametz, Spencer Lariviere, Max Lawson, Daniel Lischner, Gabrielle Marzigliano, Samuel Mass, Gabriel Mazzella, Hailey Mehlig, Jayleen Pena, Michael Poliero, Anna Rivera, Mia Roman, Abed Nego Sanchez Morales, Ryan Spadt, Jacob Totten and Tyrel Yearwood; from Fountain Hill: Anna Parascandolo; from Freemansburg: Dana Radle and Yehoshua Serrano Ortiz.

Muhlenberg Phi Beta Kappa inductees

Bethlehem area residents Kylee Jacoby and Patrick Kantner were inducted into Muhlenberg College's chapter of Phi Beta Kappa, the nation's most prestigious honor society for undergraduates in the liberal arts and sciences, in a June 15 virtual event.

Established in 1776 at the College of William and Mary, Phi Beta Kappa (PBK) is a distinguished fellowship of scholars devoted to liberal education and intellectual pursuits. Muhlenberg College was granted a charter from the national organization in 1967.

McKittrick joins student nursing assoc.

Katelyn McKittrick, of Bethlehem, was a member of Alvernia University's Alvernia Student Nursing Association while studying nursing during the 2019-20 school year.

The A.S.N.A. promotes academic and professional growth in nursing education as well as a greater understanding of the nursing profession throughout the university and the community, and develops leadership skills.

Handlon authors wellness book

The president of Handlon Business Resources and area resi-

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NMIH

Exhibit extended to August 30

The National Museum of Industrial History has extended the "Art of Precision: The Engineered Sculpture of Christopher Bathgate" exhibit through August 30. More than 20 sculptures show how computer-mediated fabrication may bridge the divide between art, craft, and industrial production in the Digital Age. The artist is a self-trained machinist using hand-made tools, automated CNC milling machines and metal lathes to create complex artistic expressions inspired by industry. To see photos of the exhibit, visit www.nmih.org/art-of-precision-engineered-sculpture-of-christopher-bathgate/.

The museum is now reopened Friday through Sunday at a 50% capacity from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. with a timed ticketing system. Advance tickets may be purchased at www.nmih.org. Sanitizing stations have been implemented throughout the museum, touch less soap dispensers have been installed in the museum's bathrooms, signage has been placed throughout the space to ensure proper social distancing between visitors, and frequently touched areas have been modified or removed. A Plexiglas barrier has been mounted at the museum's front desk and all staff and visitors over the age of four are required to wear masks while inside the museum facilities.

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In accordance with 25 P.S. § 2642 (i), the Lehigh County Board of Elections will convene a hearing on Wednesday, July 29th, 2020, at 8:00 AM, in the Public Meeting Room, Lehigh County Government Center, 17 South 7th Street, Allentown. As a result of the Governor's COVID-19 emergency orders requiring social distancing, limited seating will be available in the Public Meeting Room. A separate meeting room with a remote video connection will be made available for overflow attendees. The hearing is for the purpose of obtaining testimony regarding the issues raised in the formal complaint filed by Enid Santiago, candidate for Democratic Nomination as Representative in the 22nd District during the June 2nd, 2020 General Primary.

Election Board of Lehigh County
By: Timothy A. Benyo
Chief Clerk

AVISO DE JUNTA ELECTORAL

De acuerdo con 25 P.S. § 2642 (i) la Junta Electoral del Condado de Lehigh convocará una audiencia el miércoles, 29 de julio de 2020 a las 8:00 a.m. en la Sala de Audiencias Públicas, Centro de Gobierno, 17 South 7th Street, Allentown. Como resultado de las órdenes de emergencia COVID-19 del Gobernador que requieren distanciamiento social, habrá asientos limitados disponibles en la Sala de Reuniones Públicas. Una sala de reuniones separada se establecerá para el resto de asistentes con video disponible. El propósito de la audiencia es para obtener testimonio con respecto a la queja formal de Enid Santiago, candidata a la nominación demócrata como Representante en el Distrito 22 durante la Primaria General del 2 de junio de 2020.

Junta Electoral del Condado de Lehigh
De: Timothy A. Benyo
Oficial Mayor

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CHANGES- CANCELLATIONS- POSTPONEMENTS

Following the directives established by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention to limit public gatherings, several of the following meetings / activities might be changed or canceled. City Hall will remain operational but is closed to the public until further notice. City employees will be available to assist residents via phone and email. Visit www.bethlehem-pa.gov and social media for additional information.

Northampton County Council

Northampton Co. Courthouse, 669 Washington St., Easton. Northampton County Council will be holding virtual meetings on the first and third Thursday of every month at 6:30 p.m., prevailing time until further notice. The meetings will be live streamed. The public may join the meetings by calling 610-829-6605 and entering Conference ID: 6514572. Questions or comments from the public may be e-mailed to lzembo@northamptoncounty.org. The agenda and further details may be found on the County Council webpage at www.northamptoncounty.org.

Bethlehem Area School District

No meetings this month

Mayor's Southside Task Force

No meeting until Sept. 22. Site to be announced.

Wednesday, July 22

City of Bethlehem Parking Authority, 4 p.m. 85 W. North St.
Northampton County Industrial Development Authority, 4 p.m.
Northampton Co. Courthouse, 669 Washington St., Easton.
City of Bethlehem Zoning Hearing Board, 6 p.m. City hall, 10 E. Church St. Live-streamed: <https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/279813237> or via phone: 1-872-240-3311. Access code: 279-813-237.

Fountain Hill Borough Council, 7 p.m. 941 Long St.

Lehigh Co. Board of Commissioners, 7:30 p.m. Public hearing room, Gov't. Center, 17 S. Seventh St., Allentown.

Thursday, July 23

Hanover (NorCo) Zoning Hearing Board, 3630 Jacksonville Road. Visit <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81041433392?pwd=d-VJQmdVdnA5WlkySOllL2tTb0UwZz09>. Meeting ID: 810 4143 3392. Password: 694867 Dial by location: 1 646 558 8656.

Monday, July 27

Bethlehem Twp. Planning Commission, 7 p.m. Municipal building, 4225 Easton Ave.

Tuesday, July 28

Hanover Twp (NorCo) Supervisors, 7 p.m. 3630 Jacksonville Road.

Saucon Valley School Board, 7 p.m. (www.youtube.com/channel/UCOYigEsENQ14ggy1KOI9rEA/videos). Audion building, 2097 Polk Valley Road.

Wednesday, July 29

Bethlehem Twp. NorCo Zoning Hearing Board, 6:30 p.m. Municipal building, 4225 Easton Ave.

The Bethlehem Press calendar listings are, to the best of our knowledge, correct at the time of printing. We are not responsible for the accuracy or reliability of information submitted by external parties.

DEAN'S LISTS

Moravian College

Several area residents were named to the dean's honor list for the spring 2020 semester. Undergraduate students who carry three or more graded (letter grade) course units in a semester and attain a GPA for the term of 3.50 or higher are placed on the list. The students are, from Bethlehem: Brooke Adams, Ashley Adamson, Sunnya Ahsan, Saoud Alghamdi, Setareh Alipour, Nurdra Amran, Fatimah Amunayan, Amanda Andrews, Michael Arroyo, Jaclyn Baker, Lauren Bayda, Alvaro Belmonte, David Bertolotti, Paige Bicknell, Hannah Bovard, Madison Capuano, Lauren Caronia, Mualla Celik, Chloe Conahan, Cordell Corlette, Kayla Corrado, Allison Davis, Samantha DeAngelis, Nina DeFrancisco, David Donio, Zheng Duan, Reilly Eager, Devon Elton, Megan Eltringham, Emilee Engler, Andrew Epsaro, Logan Farinhas, Dan Faudree, Toshi Figueroa, Trae Freeman, Kaitlyn Fritz, Justin Galinski, Riley Gallagher, Elena Galvano, Lauren Garza, Alexander Gerra, Tamar Giordadze, Juan Giraldo, Skylar Goldstein, Hannah Graybeal, Nicole Grayuski, Gabriella Greenhoward, Jessica Gross, Lauren Haddad, Juliana Haddad, Erica Heaney, Julio Hernandez, Hannah Hook, Brady Hornbaker, Tanishq Iyer, Christian Jancsarics, Analisa Jeffries, Paul Jensen, Maya Johnston, Madeline Kane, Christina Karcher, Zoe Karvan, Cecelia Khorrami, Jillian Kopchak, Ashley Kunsman, Paul Levasseur, Alyssa Lopez, Micaela Lothian, Jessica Mann, Jacob Maskornick, Sara Mass, Alexis Matos, Anthony McEntee, Helen Meckstroth, Albaraa Mesawi, Macy Miller, Alexis Mock, Chloe Mondok, Matteo Montero, Bradley Morgan, Nichole Morrison, Connor Morro, Nicholas Mortagua, Mikayla Morton, Thulani Motekase, Liam Mulligan, Dana Neupauer, Janessa Ortiz-Delgado, Johanna Pearson, Kyle Penyak, Nick Petros, Micaela Posh, Emily Prendeville, Scott Rader, Gabrielle Rader, Luana Rebello, Noah Reichard, Kayla Ressler, Nicole Rissmiller, Amy Rissmiller, Victoria Ritter, Destiny Rivera, Colby Robertson, Joelis Rodriguez, Aleksander Rogalewicz, Nicole Rommens, Nicole Ryan, Jessica Salib, Daniel Salib, Mary Sampson, Benjamin Sanchez, Skylynn Seals, Maja Sejdic, Dominic Serafini, Maura Silva, Joel Soto, JC Sousa, Gabrielle Stanley, Brianna Suvire, Jay Swint, Justin Szaro, Rim Turk, Safa Turkdonmez, Jenele Vadelund, Paige Vazquez, Lexi Vega, Devin Wachter, Morgan Weaver, Andrew Weidner, PJ Weierbach, Alessandra Wilson, Jared Wisdom, TahLea Wright, Christine Yacoub, Montana Youssef, Momi-na Zia and Dylan Zukawski.

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dent Sally Handlon has authored the book, "Your Journey to Aging Well." Momosa Publishing released the book to the public as of May 15.


Active in Lehigh Valley business and non-profit communities for over 40 years, Handlon's book is a result of 30 years of herbal and nutrition studies. It shares basic information that can benefit any reader, leader or business owner age 50 and older as well as younger adults.

Anderson new Truth for Women CEO

Truth for Women, Inc., a Lehigh Valley nonprofit organization providing sanctuary and emergency stabilization to survivors of sex trafficking, hired Carol Andersen as its new CEO. She is a trained trauma-informed crisis counselor for victims of domestic violence and sexual assault; and a trained facilitator for "Ending the Game" education series.

She is the executive director of Bloom, a nonprofit that operates a residential program for women in Bangor. She is the co-chair of Lehigh Valley Anti-Trafficking Week 2020.

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Graphic commentary by Ed Courrier



Council approves pandemic plan

BY BERNIE O'HARE
Special to the Bethlehem Press

At their July 16 meeting, Northampton County Council members voted unanimously (9-0) to approve what Executive Lamont McClure calls his pandemic protection program. It's a three-pronged attack aimed at both reducing community spread of CoVID-19 while providing some assistance to school districts with online learning. It's funded through part of the \$27.5 million Northampton County recently received in CARES Act funding. Lehigh County has received \$33 million and is currently formulating its own relief plan.

Broadband access
Northampton County Council approved \$825,000 in grants for broadband access. The school districts of Bethlehem, Easton, Bangor, Northampton and Nazareth will each receive \$100,000 each, while \$50,000 each will go to the schools districts of Wilson, Saucon Valley and Pen Argyl. Northampton County Department of Human Services (DHS) will use \$175,000 to purchase Wi-Fi annual vouchers and electronic equipment

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for underserved senior citizens and veterans within the county.

McClure told council that school districts have large percentages of students who either completely lack or have spotty Internet access.

"We have a chance ... to really make a difference in the lives of these students," he said.

Are parochial and charter school students being left out? Not so, said council member Kerry Myers, who at one time served on and presided over the Easton Area School Board. He indicated the district will be required to assist all students who reside in the district.

Some Northampton County students are in Northern Lehigh and Catasauqua school districts. Executive Lamont McClure indicated they would be served as well.

McClure added that many seniors and veterans with limited incomes need Internet access.

Drive-thru testing
Council approved \$300,000 for a drive-thru COVID-19 testing site for

Northampton County residents displaying at least one symptom of the coronavirus. Lamont McClure and Northampton County DCED organized a partnership with Lehigh Valley Hospital-Coordinated Health Allentown Hospital (LVH-CHA) to set up the site, which will be located at 3100 Emrick Blvd. in Bethlehem. Hours of operation will be Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. The site will open in a few weeks.

No prescription is required but, to be eligible for testing, individuals must report or display one or more CDC-recognized symptoms of COVID-19: fever, dry cough, shortness of breath, chills, muscle pain, headache, sore throat or loss of taste and/or smell. The drive-thru testing site is open to everyone, but only residents of Northampton County are eligible to have the cost covered by the county if they do not have health coverage. All testing will be through HNL Lab Medicine unless insurance requires an alternate laboratory. Participants should bring a photo ID

and their insurance card, if they have one, with them to the testing site.

The importance of increased testing is that it enables public health officials to trace an infected person's contacts and ask them to quarantine themselves for 14 days. Increased testing will yield an additional spike in cases, but in the long run, reduce community spread.

Universal testing at county prison

Northampton County Council approved a resolution to allocate \$200,000 in CARES Act funds for a proactive testing program for COVID-19 at the Northampton County Prison. On July 7, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) recommended universal testing for jails and prisons. The Department of Corrections will coordinate with Prime Care Medical to develop a plan to test inmates and staff. Noting that the jail is currently COVID-19-free, McClure warned, "We're not out of the woods yet."

McClure indicated he may want to perform antibody testing on corrections officers, which may indicate at least a few months of immunity.

Sports may reopen soon, with limits

BY NATE JASTRZEMSKI
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While township commissioners attended to administrative items during their virtual meeting July 6, the better part of the hour was spent discussing options for sports in the coronavirus era.

Township athletic association Vice President Eric Vernon called in to coordinate the opening of facilities for fall sports. He said papers were filled out and cooperating organizations were ready, but there were 600 athletes with nowhere to play. He also said a lengthy six-page "return to play" safety and procedures plan for cleanliness

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and distancing was ready for commissioner review, but they took the opportunity to ask him all their questions directly while he was on the line.

Thus courtesy of the floor lasted 30 minutes, with commissioners agreeing to try to get an athletic reopening plan on the agenda for the next meeting, though it would be later than Vernon said would allow for a smooth transition with the many organizations involved. Commissioners didn't want to let him and the athletes down, however,

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and scheduled the discussion for an hour before an expectedly long special emergency response meeting July 13.

Commissioners later voted to allow the township manager to act with their authorization on a few action items, such as a \$27,000 electrical upgrade of the public works facility, which they hope will prove a show of commitment in a difficult time and attract future grants.

Commissioner Melissa Davis questioned a \$7,270 expense of repairing the great timekeeping piece

at town hall.

President Michael Hudak, member John Gallagher and others also said they gave the clock little thought and figure nobody actually relies on for timekeeping, considering it more of a decoration than anything else, and wondered if just removing the hands and saving the township thousands of dollars would be best.

Eventually they decided leaving it broken would appear they don't care about the township, and, as Hudak said, "If we have a \$60,000 clock in front of our building, it should at least work."

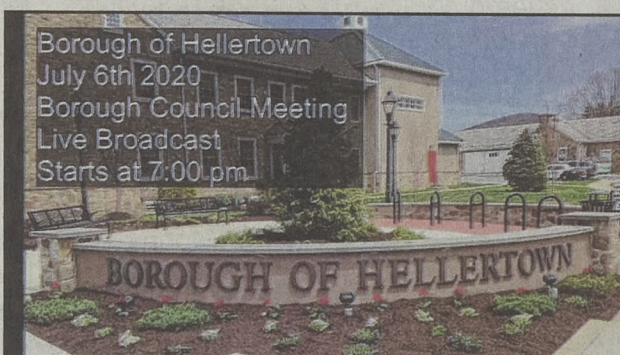
Fireworks, youth sports plans covered

BY CHRIS HARING
Special to the Bethlehem Press

The July 6 Hellertown Borough Council virtual meeting covered several topics of interest, including the widespread use of fireworks in the area, the resumption of youth sports in August and other community projects.

Mayor David Heintzleman spoke about the pervasiveness of fireworks in Hellertown and its surrounding communities. He said that he rode with a borough police officer for a few hours on Independence Day and "(commends) officers on

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PRESS PHOTO BY CHRIS HARING

how they tactfully handled those in violation." Police Chief Robert Shupp said they received 10 com-

plaints through the 911 center and several more through the borough's non-emergency phone

line. He also said they made one criminal arrest.

Both Heintzleman and Shupp had some tips for residents going forward, both in relation to using fireworks as well as reporting their misuse. "If fireworks are landing on your property or you feel it's dangerous or unsafe, please call the non-emergency number or 911 if it's that dangerous," Shupp said. "Please don't ever feel that we are too busy... to address the issue." Heintzleman added that while Hellertown had a number of complaints,

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“we were nothing like the City of Bethlehem.” He reminded residents not to file complaints anonymously, as that makes it more difficult for police to conduct follow-up calls or visits after their initial response.

Fire Chief Mike Maguire described one incident that caused a garage fire with no injuries and asked residents to “use extreme caution using fireworks or even burning.” Heintzleman added that he has also become more aware and educated on the topic of military veterans who suffer from

Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder, or PTSD, and how fireworks can trigger extreme stress for them and others with similar disorders, saying, “I think we as neighbors should be very cognizant of that issue that it’s not all fun and games for them.” He also mentioned that it was the state which legalized the use of fireworks. “If you have a problem with fireworks, please contact your state representative,” he said.

Council also voted to table the motion to approve the 2020 Saucon Valley Youth Sports User’s Agreement, contingent upon receipt of a COVID-19 release, as well

as the ability to add any additional restrictions that come in the future. They expressed concerns over their ability to follow all guidelines, particularly the football program, for which practices are scheduled to begin Aug. 1. There was some uncertainty about restroom use and spectator capacity, among other issues. The motion was tabled, as the council is scheduled to meet once more before that starting date and they are asking for a written plan for compliance to review at that meeting.

The annual Movies in the Park series in August was also discussed. The Hellertown-Lower

Saucon Chamber of Commerce presents the event, which takes place in Dimmick Park. As in previous years, Mobile Technology Graphics is donating use of a big screen to display the movie. Public bathrooms will remain closed and physical distancing and mask use will be required. Council Vice President Philip Weber said, “We have to give (residents) something to do. We’ve taken everything else away because of what’s going on.”

Council expressed its preference that the event be styled like a drive-in theater, as they feel it is safer and allows less room for any potential issues to arise. The Dewey Fire Company fireworks, another August community event, was official-

ly approved, after local businesses and residents stepped up to fund the event. They will be held on the Steel Club country club’s property, although the exact location is yet to be determined.

Shupp also spoke about attending the Courageous Conversations event June 30 at Shiloh Baptist Church in Easton, which was a summit between police, elected officials and black community leaders to discuss recent racial tensions across the country. He said it was attended by “every police chief in the county,” as well as Northampton County District Attorney Terry Houck.

Borough Manager Cathy Hartranft noted that the borough office remains closed to the public, although they are now allowing folks by appoint-

ment, maintaining social distancing and masks are required.

Gil Stauffer of the Hellertown Historical Society gave an update in which he said many artifacts are currently being digitized.

Matt Marcincin of the Hellertown Borough Library Board of Trustees noted that the Hellertown Area Library is now open under amended hours and is following CDC guidelines.

Lastly, Council President Thomas Rieger reminded everybody of the upcoming Saucon Valley Restaurant Week, which will be held July 19 through 25. The popular event promotes borough eateries, many of whom offer special pricing, discounts and other attractions during the event.

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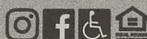
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Christopher Greb,

operations manager for the Macungie Ambulance Corps, is pictured with the corps’ incident command unit rehab vehicle. Rehabilitation services provided by the corps includes taking and monitoring first responder vital signs, providing hydration and energy snacks, seasonal heating/cooling measures, and a rest area, at serious fire or other emergency locations throughout Lehigh County and adjacent areas.

Learn more about Christopher Greb in the Community Partner feature in next week’s paper.

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Koula Sossiadias Kazista and Katina Sossiadias are behind the camera on the set of their film "Epiphany."

An 'Epiphany'

Bethlehem sisters' feature film inspired by their Greek heritage

BY KATHY LAUER-WILLIAMS
 Special to The Press

When sisters Koula Sossiadias Kazista and Katina Sossiadias were growing up in Bethlehem, they say their father was "always trying to shove our Greek culture down our throats."

Their father, who emigrated from Greece to the United States at age 24, had started taking them every year to a town in Florida that boasts the largest percentage of Greeks in the nation.

The sisters are writers-directors-producers of their first feature film, "Epiphany," which was inspired by those trips.

"One day, we both woke up and realized we loved our Greek heritage," says Kazista in a conference call. "We wanted to put that on the screen as a gift to our father."

"Epiphany" follows the story of teenage Luka, who is desperate to connect with her negligent father in Tarpon Springs, Fla., after the death of her aunt.

Tarpon Springs, which is on the Gulf Coast, has a large Greek population as



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Katina Sossiadias and Koula Sossiadias Kazista at a film festival screening of "Epiphany."

a result of the sponge-diving business, which attracted Greek divers who settled there in the early 1900s.

"It feels almost like a Greek island, because of the water," says Kazista. "It's very Greek with Greek restaurants and

culture everywhere."

Sossiadias says they first did a short film inspired by their experiences 18 years ago, with the hope of one day making a feature film.

The sisters are the daughters of Maria and Emmanuel "Manny"

Sossiadias.

Sossiadias graduated from Bethlehem Catholic, Class of 1989; Moravian College with a Bachelor of Arts degree in 1993; and received a Master's of Fine Arts from the Uni-

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Coronavirus impact

Salisbury group helps round up music video for country singer

BY DAVE HOWELL
 Special to The Press

We're all in this together. That's the message of the "Shine a Little Love 2020" music video.

Singer-songwriter Brian Collins used his 2015 song, "Shine a Little Love," as the basis for the music video to honor first responders to the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic.

The music video includes more than 60 entertainers and hundreds of others giving a message of hope and togetherness.

In the approximately five-minute video, musicians and others sing the words and play portions of Collins' song. Firefighters, hospital and grocery workers dance and wave, holding up signs. The refrain is "Shine a little love" and "We're all in this together."

The singers range from families to well-known rock, folk and country performers, including singer-songwriter Jesse Colin Young, harmonica player Lee Oskar and members of the Zac Brown Band, Coral Reefer Band, Skid Row and Sister Hazel.

There are youth from a Boys and Girls Club, airplane pilots and quick bursts from trumpet and saxophone players.

Jonathan Katz, a comedian and actor known for starring in the animated series "Dr. Katz, Professional Therapist" says, "Please stay at home."

The music video has approximately 4,360 views on YouTube, as of the deadline for this article.

"Shine a Little Love" was a breakthrough hit for Collins, a professional musician since high school. The song was No. 1 on Country Music Television's "Pure 12-Pack Countdown" for seven weeks in 2015.

Collins, in a phone interview from his home in Peachtree City, Ga., says, "The video is a chance for people to come together to get a message to first-responder workers."

Collins was unsure what reaction he would get when he asked for participation but says, "The musicians were excited and enthusiastic. It is a way for them to get a positive message out and have something to do. It was a chance to be part of something special."

Despite the many video clips and quick cuts, the project only took about two weeks to complete. Collins did not give anyone much direction.

"I left it up to them to do what was comfortable for them," he says.

Julie Wohlberg, who handles Collins' public relations, asked comedian and actor Kris Fried, a Salisbury Township native, and Jennifer Brinson, assistant principal at Southern Lehigh High School, to participate. The three attended Salisbury High School.

Brinson was Wohlberg's teacher at Salisbury High School, where Fried also attended school with Wohlberg. Wohlberg's son, Aiden Conner, is also in the music video.

Says Fried: "It was so cool to see all the people." See COLLINS on Page B3

Baum School Virtual 35th Art Auction July 26-Aug. 1

BY PAUL WILLISTEIN
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The Baum School of Art Art Auction is traditionally two auctions in one: the Silent Auction, whereby attendees place their bids on lists at items displayed on tables, and a Live Auction, led by auctioneer Boris Wainio in The Fowler Family Room atop the school at Fifth and Linden streets, Allentown.

This year, you might say The Baum School of Art's Virtual 35th annual Art Auction is an all-silent auction in that it takes place entirely online.

The 35th annual Baum School of Art auction begins noon July 26



and concludes at 10 p.m. Aug. 1.

Baum School of Art Executive Director Shannon Fugate, on May 6 announced postponement of the May 16 auction because of the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic shutdown.

Of The Baum School of Art's Virtual 35th annual Art Auction, "There are about 300 or so items, similar to when we held the event in person," Fugate says

in an email to The Press.

"We are taking registrants every day. I think there are over 50 so far, but we expect to have similar or even more participation than in person, because folks can log on with their phones or computers from the comfort of home. It's free to register, just like in person.

"Our development committee members are hosting virtual watch parties, too, where friends can meet via Zoom or otherwise, bid and enjoy the fun virtually," continues Fugate.

"There are categories on the site, where bidders can search by price, See BAUM on Page B2



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"The Mill," by Walter Baum, is one of some 300 items in The Baum School of Art's Virtual 35th annual Art Auction.

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'EPIPHANY'

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University of Pennsylvania in 1996.

Kazista graduated from Moravian Academy, Class of 1991, and from Lehigh University with a Bachelor of Arts in 1995.

The sisters work in the film business. Sossiadis was associate producer on Bethlehem native Dan Roebuck's "Getting Grace," which was filmed in the Lehigh Valley.

Kazista owns Monster Remotes with her husband, Lee Kazista, an executive producer of "Epiphany." The company provides equipment for TV show and movie productions, including "The Greatest Showman" and director Steven Spielberg's remake of the movie musical "West Side Story."

Making "Epiphany" came down to money, says Kazista. The sisters couldn't find any backers for the film because everyone felt it was too much of a "niche" project.

"It became our passion project," Kazista says. "We raised the money privately."

"We are finally fulfilling our dream," adds Sossiadis.

When the sisters completed "Epiphany," their first submission was to Sundance Film Festival. "We didn't get in," says Kazista.

They continued to submit "Epiphany" and got the film into numerous other festivals, win-

ning awards along the way, including at the Hoboken International Film Festival, International Christian Film Festival, London Greek Film Festival and the Southside Film Festival, Bethlehem, where "Epiphany" received the audience award.

"It feels really good," Kazista says. "And we were able to find a distribution company, which is half the battle."

"Epiphany" is being distributed by independent production company Meritage Pictures.

It had its premiere in the Lehigh Valley in January with a sold-out screening at Frank Banko Alehouse Cinemas, ArtsQuest Center, SteelStacks, Bethlehem.

"It's very exciting showing it in the Lehigh Valley and doing talkbacks," Kazista says.

"Epiphany" was to have been shown March 29 as part of "Women in Media" at ArtsQuest, but the event and screening were postponed because of the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic shutdown.

Says Kazista of a possible ArtsQuest screening: "We are uncertain of when this will happen, though, and once it does happen, I am not sure that we will be at full capacity due to social distancing."

"Epiphany" is available for downloading on streaming platforms, including Amazon, iTunes, YouTube, Google Play and RCN.

Scheduled to join the sisters at "Women in Media" were New York



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Caitlin Carmichael stars as Luka in the feature film "Epiphany," written, directed and produced by Bethlehem sisters Koula Sossiadis Kazista and Katina Sossiadis, whose Greek heritage inspired their film.

Times best-selling author Katie Moretti and mommy blogger Christine Burke, who were to co-host the event.

Nazareth mom Moretti, who wrote "I Thought I Knew You," was to introduce "Epiphany."

Burke, also of Nazareth, has the parenting blog "Keeper of the Fruit Loops," which has 75,000 followers. Burke's work has been featured on the "Today Show," "Scary Mommy," "Grown and Flown" and parenting websites.

She was to moderate a question-and-answer talkback with the sisters after the "Epiphany" screening.

"There are so many powerful and successful women living in the Le-

high Valley who really have made a name for themselves outside of this area," Kazista says.

Kazista says the sisters look forward to what Lehigh Valley residents have to say about their film.

"Some of the talkbacks can really surprise you and you learn a lot from it," Kazista says.

"Epiphany" stars Caitlin Carmichael ("Dwight in Shining Armor") as Luka and Alex Dimitriades ("Ghost Ship," "The Slap") as her father Theo. It also features Hollywood legend Burt Young ("Rocky"), Scottie Thompson ("12 Monkeys") and George Georgiou ("Collateral").

"We wanted to cre-

ate a deeply moving, character-driven story about a young girl and her family relationships that illuminates Greek culture in a non-stereotypical fashion," says Kazista.

The sisters are working on their second feature film project, another coming-of-age story centered around a Greek family with Bethlehem as the backdrop.

"The Lehigh Valley is our home and a very rich, beautiful town," says Sossiadis. "The old Bethlehem Steel mill is especially intriguing to us."

"We live here and we love our hometown," adds Kazista. "There is a lot of culture here that we highlight in the new

script. We feel we did a lot for Tarpon Springs, putting them on the map. We want to do the same things for our hometown."

Kazista says the sisters plan to shoot their next film during the summer of 2021.

The sisters say finally being able to finish and show "Epiphany" gives them a legitimacy that helps them move ahead with their next film.

"Now when we Google our names, it says film director," Kazista says. "Now we have something to show."

Information about "Epiphany": www.epiphanythemovie.com

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subject matter and medium, instead of a live versus silent option.

"Boris (Wainio) and I will be making some prerecorded video appearances," Fugate says. "He can't necessarily auctioneer anything but will be part of the event nevertheless."

"It's not the art auction without Boris. He's been our auctioneer for all 34 prior years and still is an important part of this year's event," says Fugate.

As of deadline for this article, artwork to be auctioned is continuing to be uploaded to the Baum School of Art website.

Those who want to

see what's up for auction can go to the Baum website.

On the website, on the top left, look for Menu.

Click on the Menu and then click on Auction Items.

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LVHN hospitals receive 'A' grades for safety from Leapfrog

Lehigh Valley Hospital, Cedar Crest; LVH-Muhlenberg, Bethlehem; and LVH, Hazleton, each was awarded an 'A' grade on the Hospital Safety Grade report from The Leapfrog Group this spring.

Brian Nester, DO, MBA, FACOEP, LVHN president and chief executive officer, said the recognition solidifies the health network's ability to provide the care the community expects and deserves, even during unprecedented times.

"During a pandemic, emergency situations like heart attacks, strokes or injuries don't stop," Nester said.

"We're proud to be able to safely care for all our patients, not just



"They are role models in putting patients first, and their service has been extraordinary in our country's time of need."

Leah Binder
President and CEO of The Leapfrog Group

those with COVID-19.

"These 'A' grades from Leapfrog are a reflection of the skilled people — physicians, nurses and many, many others — who have gone the extra mile to take care of our community."

The national ratings reflect how well hospitals protect patients from accidents, errors, injuries, infections and other harms.

The safety score is designed to give the public

information that is useful for choosing a hospital for care.

This is the sixth straight 'A' for LVH-Muhlenberg.

"As the nation copes with a challenging pandemic, our gratitude extends to hospital leadership and health care workers everywhere for their tremendous dedication," said Leah Binder, president and CEO of The Leapfrog Group. "We hope this 'A' helps to thank the people who

work and volunteer for LVH, Cedar Crest; LVH-Muhlenberg and LVH, Hazleton.

"They are role models in putting patients first, and their service has been extraordinary in our country's time of need."

Developed under the guidance of a national Expert Panel, the Leapfrog Hospital Safety Grade uses 28 measures of publicly available hospital safety data to

assign grades to more than 2,600 U.S. acute-care hospitals twice per year.

The Hospital Safety Grade methodology is peer-reviewed and fully transparent, and the results are free to the public.

Full grade details and patient tips for staying safe in the hospital are available at hospital-safetygrade.org and by following The Leapfrog Group on Twitter and Facebook.

The Leapfrog Group is a national nonprofit organization driving a movement for giant leaps forward in the quality and safety of American health care.

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The Leapfrog Hospital Safety Grade, Leapfrog's other main initiative, assigns letter grades to hospitals based on their record of patient safety, helping consumers protect themselves and their families from errors, injuries, accidents and infections.

Additional information on Lehigh Valley Health Network is available by visiting LVHN.org or on Facebook and Twitter.



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Brian Collins' "Shine a Little Love" is the basis for a music video honoring first responders to coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic.

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ple and to be part of the whole group effort. It was exciting to do something different and get back to the keyboard and to be creative learning a song."

Comedians have been among the hardest hit by the COVID-19 shutdown because most rely heavily on audience feedback in their standup acts.

"It's not the same as a nighttime experience. You don't get the reaction from a live crowd. Now it gives me more time to do writing," Fried says.

On YouTube, Fried can be seen doing standup and appearing on Fox News' "Greg Gutfeld Show." In 2017, Fried's CD, "We're All Adults Here," was No. 7 on iTunes' "Comedy Albums" chart.

For Collins' music video, Brinson brought together teachers from across Pennsylvania to appear via the Zoom online format. They appear briefly in split-screen. "I thought we would get cut. None of us are singers," Brinson says.

During the coronavirus-mandated schools shutdown, Brinson and other educators have been working to engage youths online for distance learning.

Says Brinson: "We have come up with an array of creative assignments, like art projects and kids cooking for their families."

"For National College Decision Day, we asked seniors to post photos of themselves wearing their college gear."

Still, says Brinson, "Kids would rather be in school, even those who were struggling."

"Shine a Little Love" on YouTube:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zCDxMPDFU3w>

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Uninviting wedding guests in the time of coronavirus

Dear Jacquelyn,
We were planning a large wedding for late fall and now we are concerned that having so many people attend would be a bad idea. Invitations have already been sent, but we have decided to shorten the guest list. What is the polite way to uninvite guests without hurting their feelings?

RESPECTFULLY YOURS
By Jacquelyn Youst



a planned wedding, you might have to face the awkward problem of uninviting some of your family and friends.

Choosing who attends and keeping your relationship intact with those who don't make the short list is definitely a challenge. Under normal circumstances, it would be in very poor taste to uninvite a wedding guest after he or she already received the invitation. But we're not dealing with normal circumstances. We're dealing with the new normal.

It's best to create an across-the-board rule for

how you're reducing the guest list, like keeping it to just immediate family.

Keep it fair. There must be rhyme and reason to paring the list down so uninvited guests don't take your decision personally.

Reach out to those guests you will no longer be able to accommodate with a phone call so you can highlight that it's nothing personal.

Communicate the information in a thoughtful manner. It will be uncomfortable, but do so in the most appropriate way. Be compassionate and honest in your delivery.

Emphasize how difficult this decision was to make. Reassure the uninvited guest the decision to shorten the guest list was made after great deliberation, but

the choice was made to ensure your big day was not a factor in anyone becoming ill.

Etiquette is adapting to meet many scenarios we could not have envisioned at the beginning of 2020.

You might be surprised by how many people will not only understand, but may actually be relieved.

Respectfully Yours,
Jacquelyn

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Readers share unexplained happenings

A few weeks ago, I published a column about Godwinks — happenings that can't be explained by happenstance or coincidence.

Thank you, dear readers, for all your heartwarming responses. I was surprised so many said they occasionally experience "something deeper than coincidence."

"I've been having those experiences, but I never heard them referred to as Godwinks," wrote one 89-year-old Emmaus reader.

Bethlehem native Richard Stiles also believes Godwinks are a common occurrence, even though some never heard that terminology.

It was a Godwink he experienced many years ago on a married couples retreat that had a profound effect on his life, he said.

A big thank you to Michael Yablonski of Emmaus for clarifying how the term Godwinks came into usage.

He's right when he says it was originated by Squire Rushnell.

I had credited the wrong man in my column. What often happens on the Internet is that ideas are borrowed or shared and the true originator isn't noted.

Squire Rushnell coined the phrase Godwink, which he defines as an event or personal experience so astonishing that it could only have come from divine origin.

He went on to write several Godwinks books that continue to win readers.

"Coincidences are the best way for God to establish a presence in your life. Think about it," Rushnell says.

"If you were God and wanted to connect with humans, how would you do it? You'd create little miracles like coincidences that cause people to say, 'What are the odds of this happening?'" he writes.

That's exactly the question Karen Paul asked herself during her brother's funeral service.

"I had asked my brother to let me know in some way after he died that he was OK.

"During the church service, a beautiful dragonfly landed on my pew and stayed there.

"The last gift my brother gave me was a dragonfly necklace. What are the odds of seeing one inside a church, during his funeral service, right on my pew? It's way beyond coincidence," she said.

Bethlehem reader Elaine Molnar shared another Godwink about a minister who found someone had left four gift boxes for children in the church on Christmas Eve.

Although all the Christmas gifts had already been delivered and the pastor was pressed for time, he decided to deliver the four extra gifts to an area social service agency.

The gifts were marked with tags that said Boy, age 8, Girl, age 6, Boy, age 4, and Girl, age 2.

The pastor apologized for the late delivery, only to learn it was right on time. The agency had just received a request for gifts for four children who were the exact ages and sex of what was writ-

WARMEST REGARDS

By Pattie Mihalik

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ten on the gifts the pastor brought.

I had my own little example of a Godwink during the only day I ever experienced complete fog in Florida.

I wasn't happy when I took my early-morning walk because heavy fog was causing my vertigo to kick in. I couldn't tell the bay from the street.

Usually my morning walk is my time to give thanks for the world around me, but I was nauseated and not in a grateful mood.

Although nothing was visible through the fog, I was surprised to see an osprey sitting on a pole way out in the water. I shouldn't have been able to see it because I couldn't even see a few feet in front of me.

I was moved by the beauty of the scene and by the Godwink, reminding me to look at the beauty of the day instead of grumbling.

My friend Bob still says he doesn't believe in Godwinks or "any of this silly business about signs from God."

"People can talk themselves into anything," he insists.

A long time ago when I was a reporter in my Pennsylvania hometown, we had a major event that drew crowds and controversy.

It all started when a little girl attending a church service with her mother announced very loudly, "Look Mommy, there's the face of Jesus."

Sure enough, others in the church also saw the face of Jesus. It didn't stop there. Word spread as fast as fire in dry grass.

When local television stations carried the story of hundreds standing in line to see the face of Jesus, people traveled there from all over. Some reported cures and miracles attributed to the presence of Jesus.

Eventually, I went to cover the story.

Was it the clever work of a showman? Or, was there something mystical going on?

I sat in church, watching people and talking to visitors about why they were there.

A man sitting in the pew in front of me suddenly put his hands up to his ears, yelling, "Stop the noise."

His wife claims he couldn't hear any sound for decades. When his ears opened in the church, the noise was too much.

When I got back to the newspaper, one of the editors doubted everything that was going on.

"If it were really Jesus," she said, "people would believe and change their lives."

I had a lot of unanswered questions. But what I did believe, and still do, is unexplained happenings can simply be God reminding us of his presence.

Godwinks can be another way of getting our attention.

Contact Pattie Mihalik at news@lvp.comcast.net.

Suggestions on how to handle recalcitrant son, 7

Q. My seven-year-old son thinks that we favor his sisters. He is a good boy, but he has a few negative traits. He is a messy eater, can be really loud and doesn't always listen, all of which we have to address quite often. When that happens, he starts trying to find ways to get his sisters in trouble for something they have done. Is there a way to convince a child that we don't favor his siblings? I feel our interactions are negative, and it doesn't help that his sisters are easy-going and responsive to requests.

THE FAMILY PROJECT
By Carole Gorney



Daniels continued, "You should just validate that the boy believes he is having this negative experience."

Panelist Chad Stefanyak suggested that when the boy complains about his treatment or the perceived favoritism toward his sisters, the parents should ask him how that makes him feel, then respond that it must be difficult for him to feel that way.

"You're not agreeing, just acknowledging his feelings without an argument," Stefanyak said.

"You can thank the boy for sharing his feelings and ask him what he thinks he could do to help the situation," Daniels said. "That gives him a sense of some control over the situation and lets the child know that the parents are listening."

Panelist Wanda Mercado-Arroyo said that

sometimes children overhear their parents comparing them on the phone or even right in front of them.

"This is the worst thing parents can do," Mercado-Arroyo said, adding, "If the boy does something wrong, tell him about it when you are alone to help him. But also take time to tell him what he is doing right."

"Bad behavior is a way for the seven-year-old to get attention," panelist Pam Wallace said, "and not acknowledging what the boy does well just encourages the bad behavior."

Said Stefanyak, "He'll get to the point where he figures he's going to get yelled at for messy eating anyway, so he might as well keep making a mess because it gets him attention."

This week's panel: Pam Wallace, program coordinator, Project Child, a program of Valley Youth House; Mike Daniels, LCSW, psychotherapist; Wanda Mercado-Arroyo, educator and former school

administrator; and Chad Stefanyak, school counselor

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Inner-ear problems can cause balance disorder

Q. I'm 79 and I've taken a couple of spills in the last few months. I'm concerned that I might not be as steady on my feet as I used to be. What should I do about this?

HEALTHY GEEZER
By Fred Cicetti
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activities, isolation, loss of independence, depression.

Not all balance problems have the same cause. Here are several major ones:

Benign paroxysmal positional vertigo (BPPV). With BPPV, one of the most common causes of balance problems, you get vertigo when you change the position of your head. You may also experience BPPV when you roll over, get out of bed or when you look on a high shelf. BPPV is more likely in people over 60.

Labyrinthitis, an infection or inflammation of the inner ear. The labyrinth is the organ in your inner ear that enables you to maintain balance.

Ménière's disease, which also can give you

intermittent hearing loss, a ringing or roaring in the ears and a feeling of fullness in the ear.

Other causes may involve another part of the body, such as the brain or the heart. Aging, infections, head injury, certain medicines or problems with blood circulation may also cause problems with balance.

Blood pressure medications and some antibiotics can cause balance problems. If you are taking drugs in these categories and feel off-balance, it's worth discussing with your doctor.

Some people may have a balance problem and don't know it. Balance disorders can be difficult to diagnose because patients sometimes can't describe their symptoms well.

Balance disorders can be signs of other health problems, so it's important to have them checked out.

If you can answer any of the following positively, discuss the symptom

with your doctor.

Do I feel: Unsteady? Disoriented? As if the room is spinning? As if I'm moving when I'm still? As if I'm falling? As if I might faint?

Also, do you ever lose your balance and fall? Or, do you experience blurred vision?

Persistent balance problems are not something you should pass off as a harmless part of the aging process. They should always be examined carefully.

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Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once.

Answer to previous puzzle

Answer to previous puzzle grid: 1 8 9 4 6 2 3 5 7, 6 5 4 3 9 7 8 1 2, 2 7 3 1 5 8 4 6 9, 9 4 1 7 2 5 6 8 3, 5 6 8 9 1 3 7 2 4, 7 3 2 6 8 4 1 9 5, 3 9 6 5 7 1 2 4 8, 4 2 5 8 3 6 9 7 1, 8 1 7 2 4 9 5 3 6

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NORTHAMPTON COUNTY SENIOR MENUS. Call 610-829-4540 (ask operator for Area Agency on Aging) for locations or visit https://www.northamptoncounty.org/HS/AGING/Pages/default.aspx for the most recent updates.

LEHIGH COUNTY SENIOR MENUS. Call 610-782-3254 or visit www.lehighcounty.org/Departments/Human-Services/Neighborhood-Senior-Centers/ for the most recent updates.

PUBLIC NOTICE NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING. The Salisbury Township Civil Service Commission will hold a special meeting for the purpose of hearing various civil service appeals for removal from eligibility list on Tuesday, July 28, 2020 at 1:00 p.m. at the Salisbury Twp Municipal Building, 2900 South Pike Avenue, Allentown, PA 18103. Cathy Bonaskiewicz Township Manager/ Secretary July 22

PUBLIC NOTICE NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING SALISBURY TOWNSHIP ZONING HEARING BOARD. Notice is hereby given that a Public Hearing will be held by the Zoning Hearing Board of Salisbury Township, Lehigh County, PA on Tuesday August 4, 2020, at 7:00 PM in the Township Municipal Building located at 2900 South Pike Avenue, Allentown PA 18103. The following appeals will be heard: 216 EAST MOUNTAIN ROAD, SALISBURY TOWNSHIP, LEHIGH COUNTY, PA (APPEAL NO. 20-0152) Appeal of Peter & Carolina Howard for a Variance to construct a single-family, detached dwelling in an area where there is a slope greater than 30% at 216 East Mountain Road. The property is located within the CR, Conservation Residential Zoning District. 158 MOUNTAIN PARK ROAD NORTH, SALISBURY TOWNSHIP, LEHIGH COUNTY, PA (APPEAL NO. 20-0165) Appeal of Christopher Rabs for a Variance to construct an accessory building within the required front yard setback at 158 Mountain Park Road North. The property is located within the CR, Conservation Residential Zoning District. 1816 WOODS HOLLOW LANE, SALISBURY TOWNSHIP, LEHIGH COUNTY, PA (APPEAL NO. 20-0156) Appeal of Mark Scoblonko for a Variance to operate the main office of his law firm as a Light Home Occupation at 1816 Woods Hollow Lane. The property is located within the R1, Rural Residential Zoning District. Any interested parties may attend the meeting and be heard. All persons entering the building must wear a mask and maintain social distancing protocol. Files are available for review by appointment only in the Community Development Office of Salisbury Township. Please contact Kerry Rabold, Salisbury Township Planning & Zoning Officer, at (484) 661-5825 or krabold@salisburytownship.org to make an appointment during normal business hours, Monday - Friday 8:30AM - 4:30PM. As per the provisions of 2020 PA Act 15, enacted April 20, 2020, any interested parties, who wish to submit questions or comments prior to the hearing, may submit such by sending an email to info@salisburytownship.org with "ZHB 8-4-2020" in the subject heading or sending by U.S. mail to Salisbury Township, Attn: ZHB 8-4-2020, 2900 South Pike Avenue, Allentown, PA 18103. All questions and comments must be received by 4:30PM on Monday August 3, 2020. July 15, 22

PUBLIC NOTICE BOROUGH OF CATASAUQUA NOTICE OF A SPECIAL MEETING OF BOROUGH COUNCIL. DATE: MONDAY, JULY 27, 2020 TIME: 7:00 P.M. (COUNCIL WORKSHOP MEETING IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWS) PLACE: CATASAUQUA MUNICIPAL BUILDING 90 BRIDGE STREET, CATASAUQUA, PA 18032 PURPOSE: CONSIDERATION OF A MOTION TO ANNOUNCE THE ESSENTIAL TERMS OF A PROPOSED, AGREEMENT OF SALE BETWEEN THE BOROUGH AND DUNN-TWIGGAR COMPANY CONCERNING THE SALE AND DEVELOPMENT OF LOT 2 OF THE IRONWORKS SITE. BOROUGH HALL IS NOW OPEN TO VISITORS. LIVE STREAM INFORMATION IS AVAILABLE AT: WWW.CATASAUQUA.ORG July 22

CRYPTOGRAM

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See solution on page B8

Today's Cryptoquip Clue: G equals F

PREMIER Crossword

By Frank A. Longo

TB LISTINGS ACROSS

- 1 Affliction
7 Really shout
13 Wine vessels
20 One of the Nixon daughters
21 — Vision (eye care chain)
22 Weird sort
23 Serious crime
24 Carol about holiday cheese?
26 Strip of weapons
27 "... or — thought"
28 Look as if
29 Trickle out
30 Guy who can do any interweaving style?
35 Ribeye, e.g.
36 Particular mag. edition
37 Writer Anaís
38 With 60-Down, BB gun
39 Sorority "T"
41 "This tastes way better than coffee, tea or ale"?
50 Toon pics
53 Suffix with southwest
54 Spring month
55 Comfortable
56 Czar who was not inordinately cruel?
62 "Look!" in Latin
63 Person being examined
64 "What kind of fool —?"
65 Set sail
68 122-Down officer: Abbr.
69 Doughnut filling that's an exchanged commodity?
74 Wane
77 Easily available
79 Petri dish site
80 Got totally used up
82 Tennis great Nastase
84 Politician Gary propping himself up against something?
89 Actress Helena — Carter
92 Verdi's "— tu"
93 Prefix with chic or resort
94 2010 Apple debut
95 Enigmatic chlopper enacting spells?
101 Bride's vow
102 Wye follower
103 List-curtailing abbr.
104 Anna of fashion
107 Light lunch, maybe
111 People purchasing decorative rolling car parts?
117 Israeli carrier
118 Touch on
119 Talking — (lectures)
120 Canine cord
121 Tall fence surrounding a pugnacious dog?
126 Improvise
127 Forms a liking for

Crossword grid with numbers 1-132 and some pre-filled letters.

- 128 Brezhnev of Russia
129 Kazakhstan's capital, until 2019
130 "It finally makes sense"
131 "The Munsters" actress De Carlo
132 Less fresh
34 Nice scent
35 Hard fat
40 Atty.'s org.
41 Has no life
42 Eye, to poets
43 An hour past midnight
44 Pat lightly
45 President after Harrison
46 Ale relative
47 Incurred a lot of, as debt
48 Key on a PC
49 Tiny
50 Quote
51 In a dead heat
52 Roping in
57 High —
58 Ares' mother
59 Livy's "I love"
60 See 38-Across
61 Pro at CPR
66 Polar hazard
67 Bedouin, e.g.
70 Doc who may scrape wax
71 "Abou Ben —" (Leigh Hunt poem)
72 Sheep cry
73 "Li'l" guy
75 La — Tar Pits
76 Longtime senator Robert
78 Soda brand
81 Depilatory brand
82 "Big Blue"
83 Mauna —
85 Suffix with cook or trick
86 "Totentanz" composer Franz
87 Acutely cold
88 Coveted annual prizes
90 Part of DNA
91 Irate
96 Illegal punch
97 One of 18 on a course
98 "So icky!"
99 Gambling site, for short
100 Optometrist, old-style
104 Action hero Steven
105 Like grizzlies and kodiaks
106 Hoffman/Beatty film
107 Three more than quadri-
108 Fake name
109 Hanukkah potato treat
110 Pulitzer winner Edward
112 Central point
113 Milan's land
114 Had a meal at home
115 One-named singer of "Royals"
116 Gossipy type
118 Choir female
122 Adm.'s milieu
123 Charge (up)
124 Aussie leaper
125 Resting place
126 Had life

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See solution on page B8

PUBLIC NOTICE MUNICIPAL ADVERTISEMENT BOROUGH OF NORTH CATASAUQUA. Notice is hereby given that the Borough Council of North Catasauqua will conduct a public hearing and consider the adoption of the ordinance summarized herein, at a meeting on August 3, 2020, at 6:00 p.m. At said meeting, Council shall consider enacting, and if appropriate, will take a vote on adopting "An Ordinance of the Borough of North Catasauqua, County of Northampton, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Establishing Regulations for the Registration, Inspection and Licensing of Residential Properties and Housing Occupancy for Rental Properties, Violations, Penalties for Noncompliance, and Procedures for Appeals." The proposed ordinance requires that owners shall apply for the registration of all residential rental units with the Borough annually, pay the applicable fee, and submit to an inspection of the premises. The proposed ordinance further requires that owners keep the Borough apprised of changes in unit occupancy, designation of managers, and changes in management, as may be applicable. The ordinance sets forth the procedure for applying for a Residential Rental License; the procedure for a grant of a license, including satisfactory inspection of the premises; procedures for periodic inspections; procedures to address unsatisfactory inspections; penalties; and appeals. The full proposed text of said ordinance may be examined by any citizen at the Office of the Borough of North Catasauqua, located at 1066 Fourth Street, North Catasauqua, Pennsylvania, 18032, Monday through Friday, from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. until the date of the aforesaid Borough Council Meeting. Copies of the proposed ordinance may be obtained for a charge not greater than the cost thereof. Persons with disabilities who require any auxiliary aid, service, or other accommodation to observe or participate should contact the Borough Office at least five days before the above date to discuss how your needs may be best accommodated. July 8, 22, 29

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PUBLIC NOTICE MEETING NOTICE ALLEN TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION. Notice is hereby given that the Allen Township Planning Commission will meet via teleconference/virtual meeting platform (Zoom) at 7:00 PM on Thursday, July 30th to discuss any and all matters properly brought before the Commission. Notice of the teleconference/virtual meeting, along with the meeting agenda and directions to participate in the meeting will be posted to the Township website - www.allentownship.org or may be obtained by contacting the Township office by telephone at 610-262-7012. Ilene Marie Eckhart, Manager Allen Township July 22

390 HELP WANTED

Upper Macungie Township, Lehigh County, PA is seeking qualified applicants for the following positions: PLANNING & ZONING ADMINISTRATIVE SPECIALIST:

This position provides administrative, project, and staff support to the Community Development department. Responsibilities include, but not limited to a variety of duties such as, customer service, maintaining Township Records, assisting the developers and applicants through the Sub-division, Land Development, Zoning, Permitting, and Code Appeal Process; recording of meeting minutes, reporting, scheduling, advertisement of public notices, and answering incoming phone calls.

This position is full-time. Salary range: \$18-\$25. Pay rate will commensurate with education, skills, and relevant experience. Interested candidates should send a cover letter, resume, and references to: Upper Macungie Township, ATTN: Gretta Slifer, Human Resources Mgr., 8330 Schantz Road, Breinigsville, PA 18031 or email: hradmi@uppermac.org.

All submittals must be received no later than 4:00 P.M. on August 3, 2020.

UTILITY BILLING CLERK

With the Finance Department, this position will provide various clerical and finance duties by assisting with the maintenance of customer accounts, prepare and process invoices, work as a cashier collecting payments, prepare and submit grants, provide customer service support on a daily basis; answering phones, greeting guests, answer inquiries, and provide backup for Receptionist, Clerks, and Finance Department Positions.

Must have excellent customer service, organizational, problem solving, and computer skills (Word, OneNote, Excel, etc.) with a minimum two (2) years' clerical experience; general knowledge or previous experience with municipal government preferred. The successful candidate must submit to a background check and pre-employment screening.

This position is full-time. Salary range: \$15.00-\$16.39. Pay rate will commensurate with education, skills, and relevant experience. Interested candidates should send a cover letter, resume, and references to: Upper Macungie Township, ATTN: Gretta Slifer, Human Resources Mgr., 8330 Schantz Road, Breinigsville, PA 18031 or email: hradmin@uppermac.org.

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PUBLIC NOTICE ESTATE OF REUBEN E. SMOYER, deceased, late of New Tripoli, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania, Letters Testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, who requests all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to Scott L. Smoyer, Executor c/o YOUNG & YOUNG, Rebecca M. Young, Esq., Lia K. Snyder, Esq., 119 E. Main Street Macungie, PA 18062

Or to his Attorney: YOUNG & YOUNG, Rebecca M. Young, Esq., Lia K. Snyder, Esq., 119 E. Main Street Macungie, PA 18062

JULY 15, 22, 29

PUBLIC NOTICE ESTATE OF MARY AGNES PIKE, deceased, late of Bethlehem, Northampton County, Pennsylvania, Letters Testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, who requests all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to Robert C. Pike, Executor c/o YOUNG & YOUNG, Rebecca M. Young, Esq., Lia K. Snyder, Esq., 119 E. Main Street Macungie, PA 18062

Or to his Attorney: YOUNG & YOUNG, Rebecca M. Young, Esq., Lia K. Snyder, Esq., 119 E. Main Street Macungie, PA 18062

JULY 15, 22, 29

PUBLIC NOTICE ESTATE OF SHARON A. HOTHAN, deceased, late of Allentown, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania, Letters Testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, who requests all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to Matthew S. Hothan, Co-Executor Christopher J. Hothan, Co-Executor c/o YOUNG & YOUNG, Rebecca M. Young, Esq., Lia K. Snyder, Esq., 119 E. Main Street Macungie, PA 18062

Or to their Attorney: YOUNG & YOUNG, Rebecca M. Young, Esq., Lia K. Snyder, Esq., 119 E. Main Street Macungie, PA 18062

JULY 15, 22, 29

PUBLIC NOTICE ESTATE OF NORMAN H. HUNSICKER, deceased, late of Allentown, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania, Letters Testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, who requests all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to Linda S. Musseman, Executrix c/o YOUNG & YOUNG, Rebecca M. Young, Esq., Lia K. Snyder, Esq., 119 E. Main Street Macungie, PA 18062

Or to her Attorney: YOUNG & YOUNG, Rebecca M. Young, Esq., Lia K. Snyder, Esq., 119 E. Main Street Macungie, PA 18062

JULY 22, 29, AUG. 5

6345 YARD SALES NORTH CATTY Neighborhood Yard Sale. Sat. July 25, 8-1 p.m. Palomino, Willow, Wyandotte, Culver, Lincoln & Green View Sts.. Rain Date 7/26.

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PUBLIC NOTICE ESTATE NOTICE ESTATE OF CAROLYN J. LANG, Decedent, late of Lower Macungie Township, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Letters Testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, who requests that all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent make known the same, and all persons indebted to said Decedent are requested to make payment in full, without delay, to: Executor: James W. Lang c/o Richard W. Shaffer, Jr., Esquire, Swartz & Associates 7736 Main Street, Fogelsville, PA 18051

PUBLIC NOTICE ESTATE NOTICE ESTATE OF MARY ANN G. WOTRING, late of Upper Macungie Township, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Letters Testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, who requests that all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent make known the same, and all persons indebted to said Decedent are requested to make payment in full, without delay, to: LeAnn Miller aka LeAnna M. Miller, Executrix, c/o Jon A. Swartz, Esquire, of Swartz & Associates, attorney for Decedent's Estate.

PUBLIC NOTICE ESTATE NOTICE ESTATE OF JANICE C. HARRISON aka JANICE CECILE HARRISON, Decedent, late of Upper Macungie Township, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Letters Testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, who requests that all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent make known the same, and all persons indebted to said Decedent are requested to make payment in full, without delay, to: Jennifer Mallia aka Jennifer Ann Mallia, Executrix, c/o Jon A. Swartz, Esquire, of Swartz & Associates, attorney for Decedent's Estate.

Trust of Geraldine V. Pellington, late of Allentown, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. That Scott Pellington, Trustee, requests all persons having claims or demands against the Trust or the Decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to David M. Roth, Esquire c/o, 123 North Fifth Street, Allentown, PA 18102.

Estate of Corinne Mohr, late of East Allen Township, Northampton County, Pennsylvania. Letters Testamentary have been granted to Dale Mohr, who requests all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to David M. Roth, Esquire c/o, 123 North Fifth Street, Allentown, PA 18102.

Estate of Kenneth C. Bruch, a/k/a Kenneth C. Bruch, Jr., deceased, late of 1217 E. Woodlawn Street, #108, City of Allentown, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Letters Testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, who requests all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to Larry R. Roth, Esquire, The Roth Law Firm, 123 North Fifth Street, Allentown, PA 18102.

Estate of Lucienne P. Rappaport, late of Copley, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Letters Testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, who request all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to Ruth L. Rappaport, c/o The Roth Law Firm, 123 North Fifth Street, Allentown, PA 18102 or her Attorney, Robert B. Roth, Esquire, The Roth Law Firm, 123 North Fifth Street, Allentown, PA 18102.

Estate of Anna Heidecker, late of Allentown, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Letters Testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, who requests all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to Donna L. Gross, c/o The Roth Law Firm, 123 North Fifth Street, Allentown, PA 18102 or her Attorney, Robert B. Roth, Esquire, The Roth Law Firm, 123 North Fifth Street, Allentown, PA 18102.

Estate of Susan R. Krivenko, a/k/a Susan Krivenko, deceased, late of 1263 S. Cedarcrest Blvd., Salisbury Township, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Letters Testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, who request all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to Ronald J. Krivenko, c/o The Roth Law Firm, 123 North Fifth Street, Allentown, PA 18102 or his Attorney, Larry R. Roth, Esquire, The Roth Law Firm, 123 North Fifth Street, Allentown, PA 18102.

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PUBLIC NOTICE ESTATE OF JOYCE M. PUSHKAR, late of South Whitehall Township, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Letters Testamentary have been granted to the person(s) named below, who request all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payment without delay to: Executor(s) Michael N. Pushkar III, 1479 Eck Rd., Allentown, PA 18104 or Mark C. Pushkar a/k/a Mark C. Puskar, 7180 Church Rd., Germansville, PA 18053,

Estate of Walter B Ross, aka Walter B Ross Jr., Deceased, May 23, 2020, late of 5757 Whitewater Drive Macungie, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Letters Testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, who requests all persons having claims or demands against the estate of the Decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent, to make payments without delay to: Walter B Ross III, Linda L O'Reilly, Dennis A Ross, Executors, 60 Ferry Rd. Stockton, NJ 08559.

Estate of Earl R. Koch, Sr., deceased, late of Bethlehem, Northampton County, Pennsylvania. Letters Testamentary have been granted to Ashley J. Lilly, who requests that all persons having claims or demands against the Estate make known the same and all persons indebted to the decedent make payment without delay to: Santanasto Law, 210 E. Broad Street, Bethlehem, PA 18018.

Estate of Marlene S. Goss, deceased, late of Whitehall, County of Lehigh and State of Pennsylvania, Letters Testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, who requests all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to: Executrix: Edith Spadt c/o Joshua D. Shulman, Esquire SHULMAN LAW OFFICE PC 1935 Center Street Northampton, PA 18067

Estate of Nancy J. Deffrain, deceased, late of the Borough of Slatington, Lehigh County, PA. Letters of Administration have been granted to the undersigned, who requests all persons having claims or demands against the estate of the decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the decedent to make payments without delay to: Chad Michael Mazepa, Administrator c/o Keith W. Strohl, Esquire STECKEL AND STOPP, LLC 125 Walnut Street, Suite 210 Slatington, PA 18080

Estate of Linda S. Edwards, deceased, late of Allentown, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Letters of Administration have been granted to the undersigned, who requests all persons having claims or demands against the estate of the decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the decedent to make payments without delay to: Kelly L. Braun c/o Steckel and Stopp LLC Administratrix, or to their Attorney, STECKEL AND STOPP, LLC 125 Walnut Street, Suite 210 Slatington, PA 18080

Estate of Patricia A. Lokay, deceased, late of Northampton, Northampton County, Pennsylvania. Letters Testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, who requests all persons having claims or demands against the estate of the decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the decedent to make payments without delay to: Josette Horwath c/o STECKEL AND STOPP, LLC Executrix, or to their Attorney, Steckel and Stopp, By: Charles W. Stopp, Esquire, at 125 S. Walnut Street, Suite 210, Slatington, PA 18080

Estate of Richard D. Held aka RICHARD HELD, deceased, late of Lynn Township, New Tripoli, Lehigh County, PA. Letters Testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, who requests all persons having claims or demands against the estate of the decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the decedent to make payments without delay to: DONNA JEAN LEAHY AKA DONNA J. LEAHY, EXECUTOR RICHARD ALVIN HELD AKA RICHARD A. HELD, EXECUTOR c/o CHARLES W. STOPP STECKEL AND STOPP, LLC 125 Walnut Street, Suite 210 Slatington, PA 18080

Estate of JoAnn N. Spencer, a/k/a Jo Ann N. Spencer, deceased, late of City of Allentown, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Letters Testamentary have been granted to the undersigned who requests all persons having claims or demands against the estate of the decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the decedent to make payments without delay to: Jacque Christian-Spencer Darrell, a/k/a Jacque Christian Darrell, Executor c/o John O. Stover, Jr. 537 Chestnut Street Emmaus, PA 18049

Estate of Allison J. Shafer, deceased, late of Lower Macungie Township Township, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Letters of Administration have been granted to the undersigned who requests all persons having claims or demands against the estate of the decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the decedent to make payments without delay to: Clifford George Youse, a/k/a Clifford G. Youse, Jr. Admin. c/o John O. Stover, Esquire 537 Chestnut Street Emmaus, PA 18049

Estate of Deborah A. Bogoly, Deceased, late of Forks Township, County of Northampton, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. Letters Testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, who requests all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to Kelly L. Bogoly, Executrix, c/o 2045 Westgate Drive, Suite 404, Bethlehem, PA 18017; or Timothy J. Duckworth, Jr., Esquire, Mosebach, Funt, Dayton & Duckworth, P.C., 2045 Westgate Drive, Suite 404, Bethlehem, PA 18017

ESTATE OF DOLORES M. PAVLACKA, a/k/a DOLORES PAVLACKA, deceased, late of Lehigh Township, Northampton County, Pennsylvania. Letters Testamentary have been granted to John Pavlacka, III, who requests all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payment without delay to: John Pavlacka, III, Executor, c/o CRAIG B. NEELY, Esq., 209 Main Street, Emmaus, PA 18049, 610-928-1188. July 8, 15, 22

BOARD OF DIRECTORS EAST PENN SCHOOL DISTRICT A Special Board Meeting of the Board of School Directors is scheduled for Monday, July 27, 2020, at 7:30pm. The purpose of this special board meeting is to vote on the District Health & Safety Plan and for such other purposes as the Board may deem fit.

Notice is hereby given that in the estate of the decedent set forth below the Register of Wills has granted letters of administration to the person named. All persons having claims against said estate are requested to make known the same to them or their attorneys and all persons indebted to said decedent are requested to make payment without delay to administratrix named below: Estate of Gary T. Corcoran aka Gary Corcoran, aka Gary Thomas Corcoran, late of Lower Macungie Township, Lehigh County, PA.. Kathleen Nowroozani aka Kathleen Ann Nowroozani, Administratrix c/o Paul T. Fabiano, Esquire 6943 Sunflower Lane Macungie, PA 18062

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Notice of Intent to Remediate to an Environmental Standard. (Sections 302(e)(1)(ii), 303(h)(1)(ii), 304(n)(1)(i), and 305(c)(1)) Notice is hereby given that Barnes Land Development LLC, has submitted a Remedial Investigation Report / Risk Assessment / Final Report to the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection, Northeast Regional Office, to demonstrate attainment of the Site-Specific Standards for soil at a site located at 2701 Barnes Lane, City of Allentown, Lehigh County. Barnes Land Development LLC., has indicated that the remediation measures taken have attained compliance with the site-specific cleanup standards established under the Land Recycling and Environmental Remediation Standards Act.

Notice is hereby given that, in the estate of the decedent set forth below, the Register of Wills has granted letters, testamentary or of administration to the persons named. All persons having claims against said estate are requested to make known the same to them or their attorneys and all persons indebted to said decedent are requested to make payment without delay to the executors or administrators named below: ESTATE OF DORIS G. JOHNSON, late of Lower Macungie Township

Barbara J. Roman, Executrix c/o 1620 Pond Road, Ste. 200 Allentown, PA 18104

or EDWARD H. BUTZ, ESQ. LESAVOY BUTZ & SEITZ 1620 POND ROAD, SUITE 200 ALLENTOWN, PA 18104

Estate of Guy W. Petery, Deceased. Late of Allentown, Lehigh County, PA. D.O.D. 4/7/20. Letters Testamentary on the above Estate have been granted to the undersigned, who request all persons having claims or demands against the estate of the decedent to make known the same and all persons indebted to the decedent to make payment without delay to Jan Petery, Executrix, 8101 Rosemary St., Apt. 4, m Commerce City, CO 80022. Or to her Atty.: Allen R. Shollenberger, Leisawitz Heller, 2755 Century Blvd., Wyoming, PA 19610.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, in the Estate of the Decedent set forth below, the Register of Wills has granted Letters Testamentary to the person named. All persons having claims or demands against said estate are requested to make known the same, and all persons indebted to said estate are requested to make payment, without delay, to the executors or to their attorneys named below: Decedent: RODNEY C. CHRISTMAN Date of Death: April 19, 2020

Executrix: Jane E. Hudak c/o William W. Matz, Jr., Esquire 211 W. Broad Street Bethlehem, PA 18018-5517

ESTATE OF DEBORAH A. BOGOLY, Deceased, late of Forks Township, County of Northampton, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. Letters Testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, who requests all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to Kelly L. Bogoly, Executrix, c/o 2045 Westgate Drive, Suite 404, Bethlehem, PA 18017; or Timothy J. Duckworth, Jr., Esquire, Mosebach, Funt, Dayton & Duckworth, P.C., 2045 Westgate Drive, Suite 404, Bethlehem, PA 18017

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